



# Climate Monitoring in the Mediterranean Coast Network



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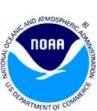
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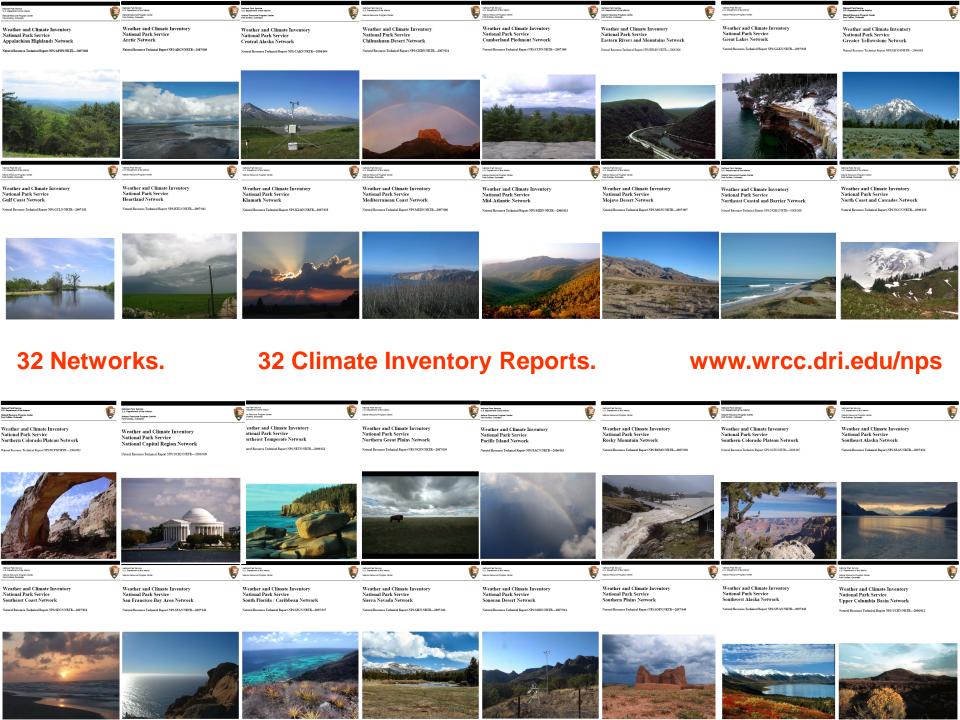
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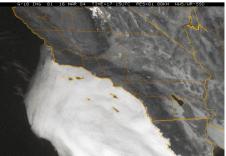


Weather and Climate Inventory National Park Service Mediterranean Coast Network

Natural Resource Technical Report NPS/MEDN/NRTR-2007/006



Channel Islands National Park: Design Considerations for Weather and Climate Monitoring

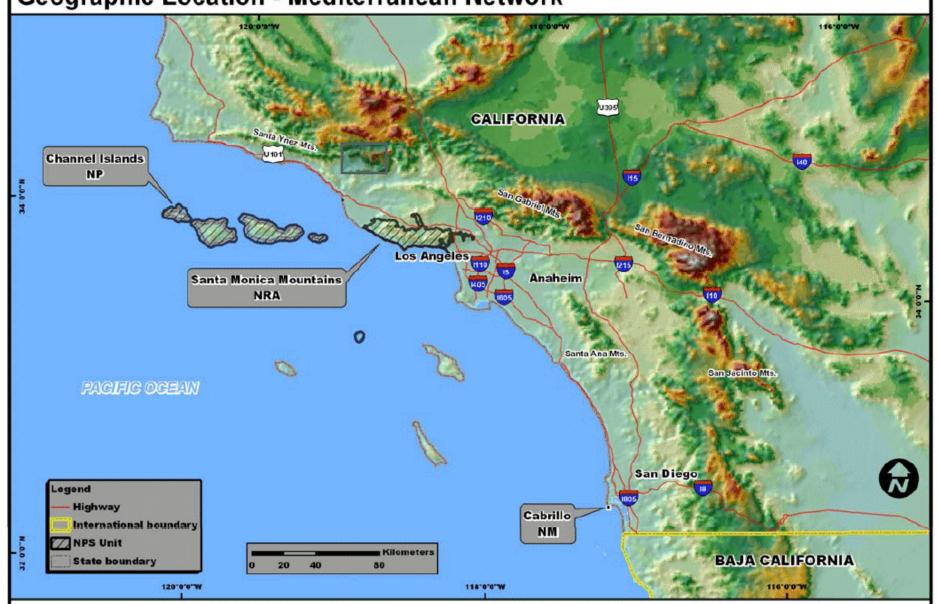


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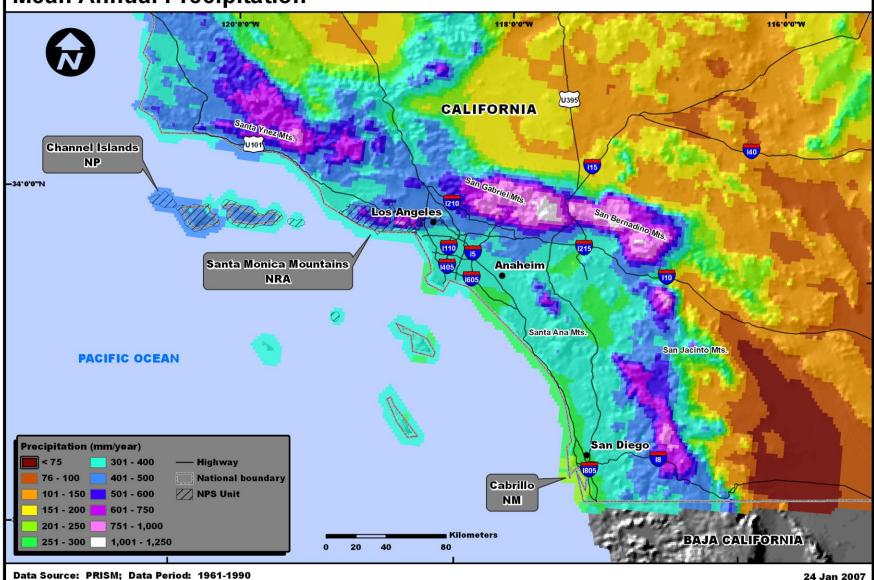
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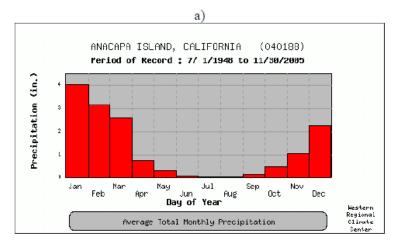
# Geographic Location - Mediterranean Network





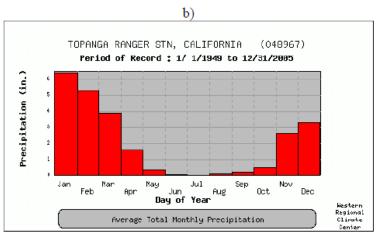
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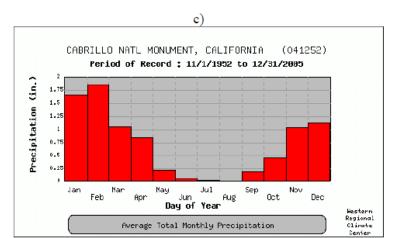


# **Annual Cycle of monthly Precipitation**

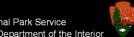
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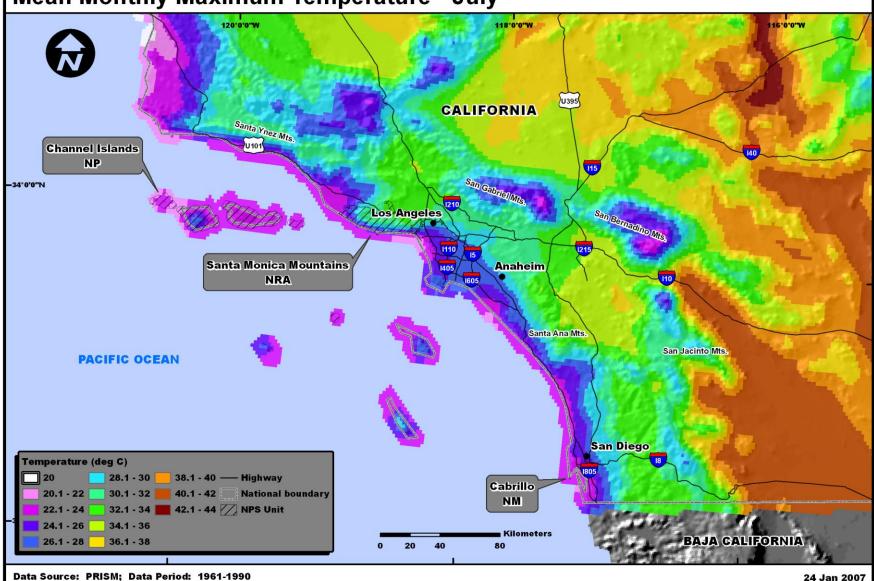
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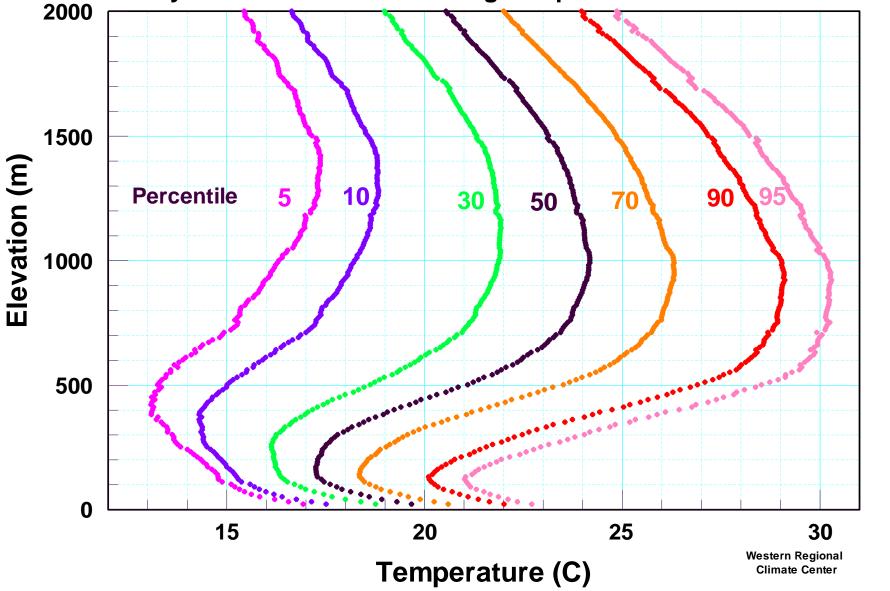
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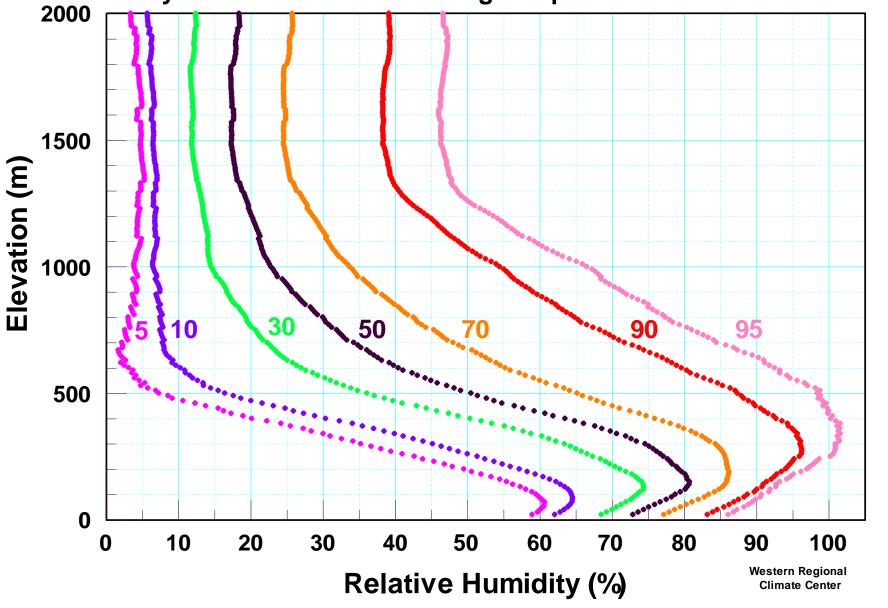
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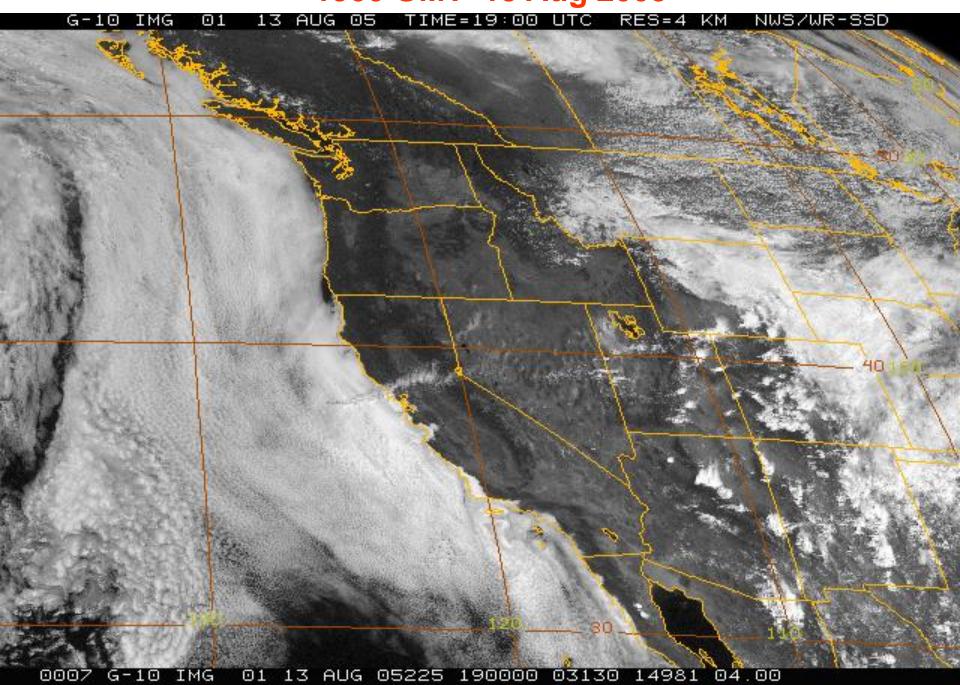
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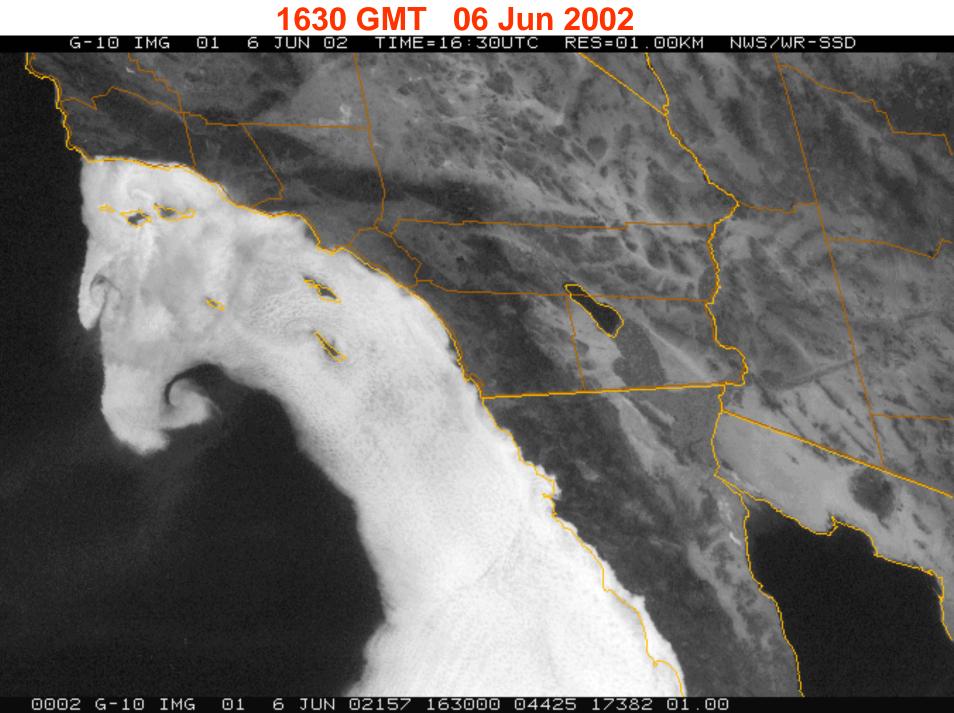
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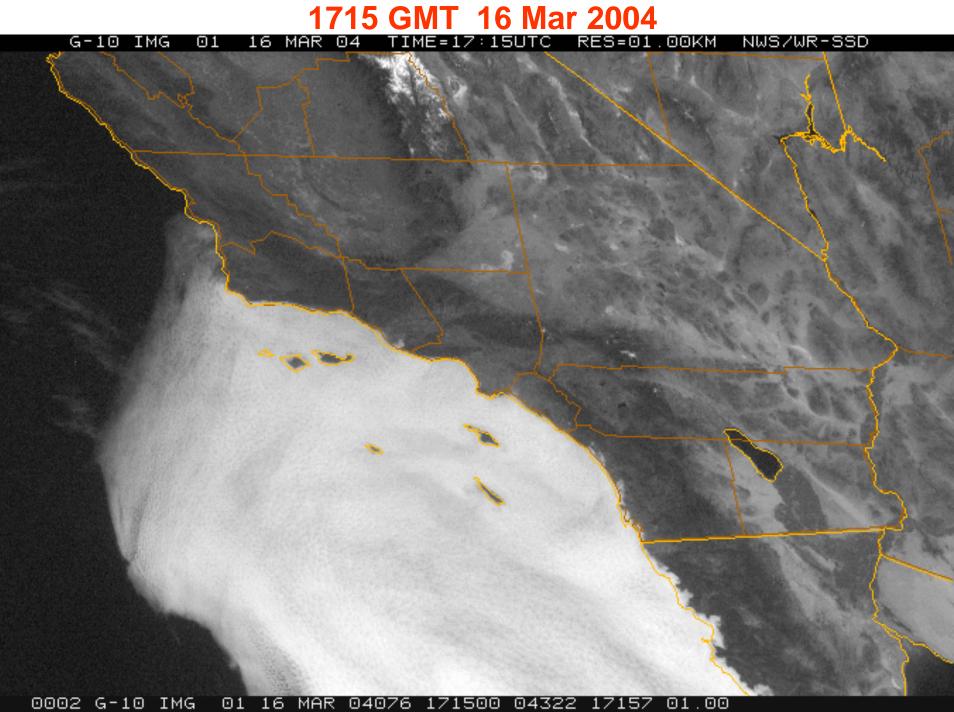


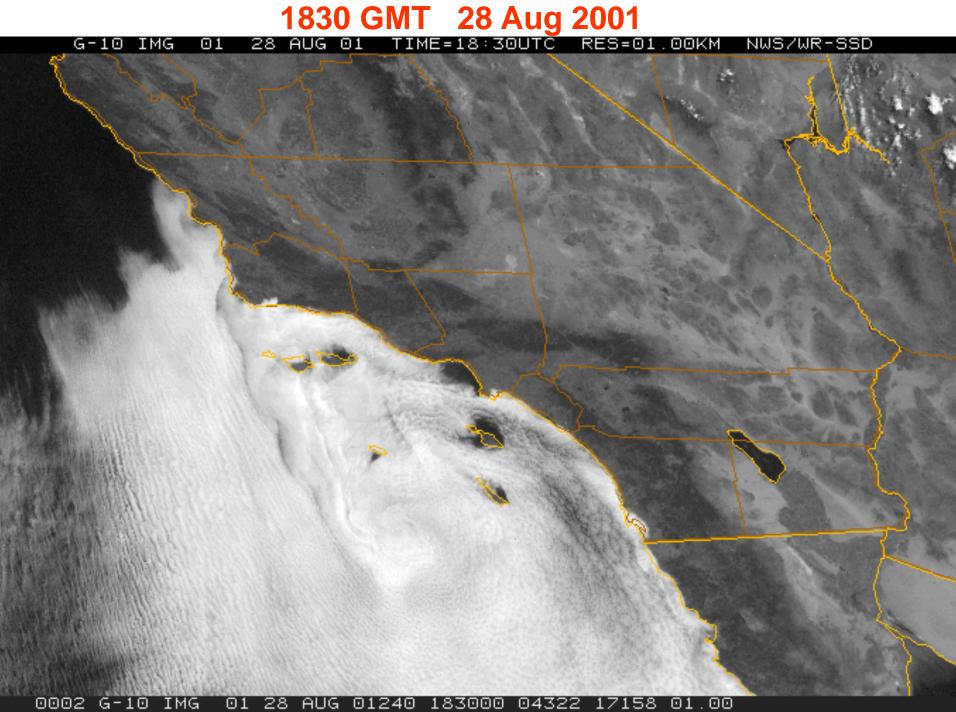
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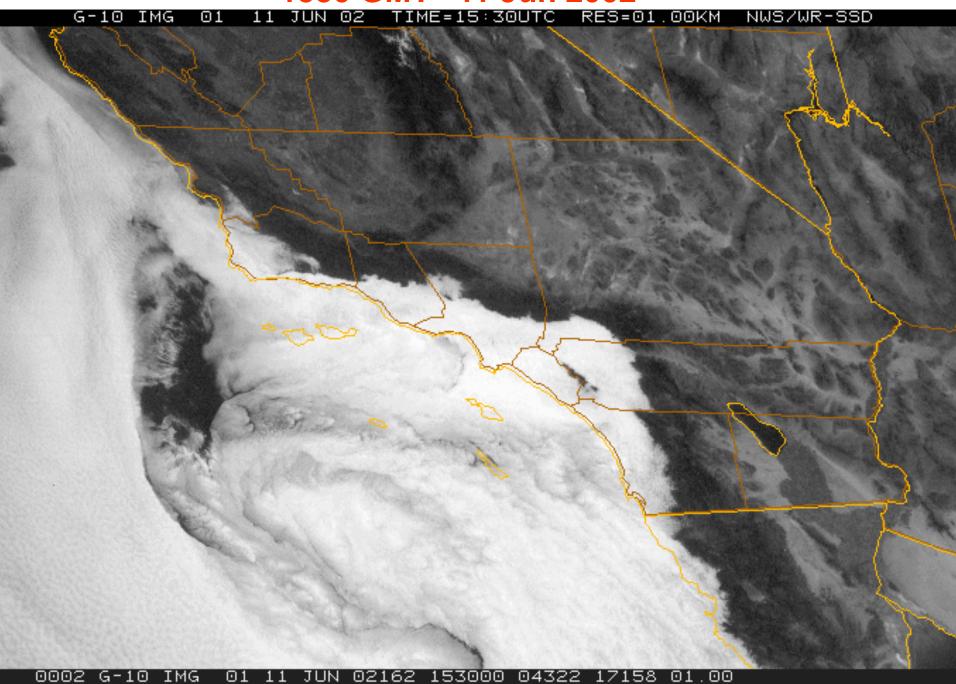
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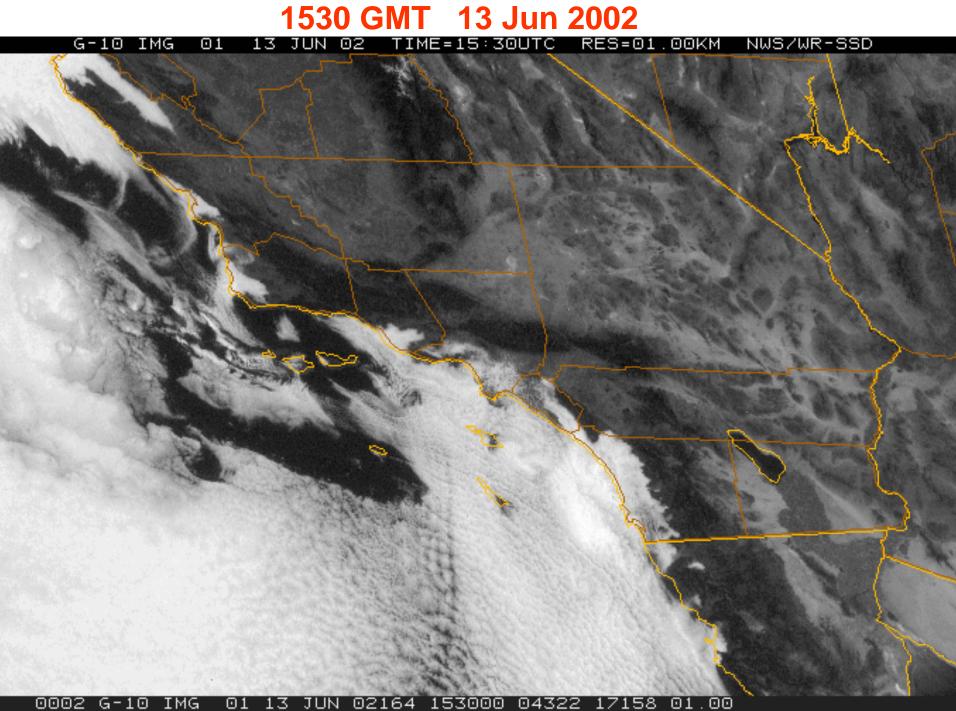




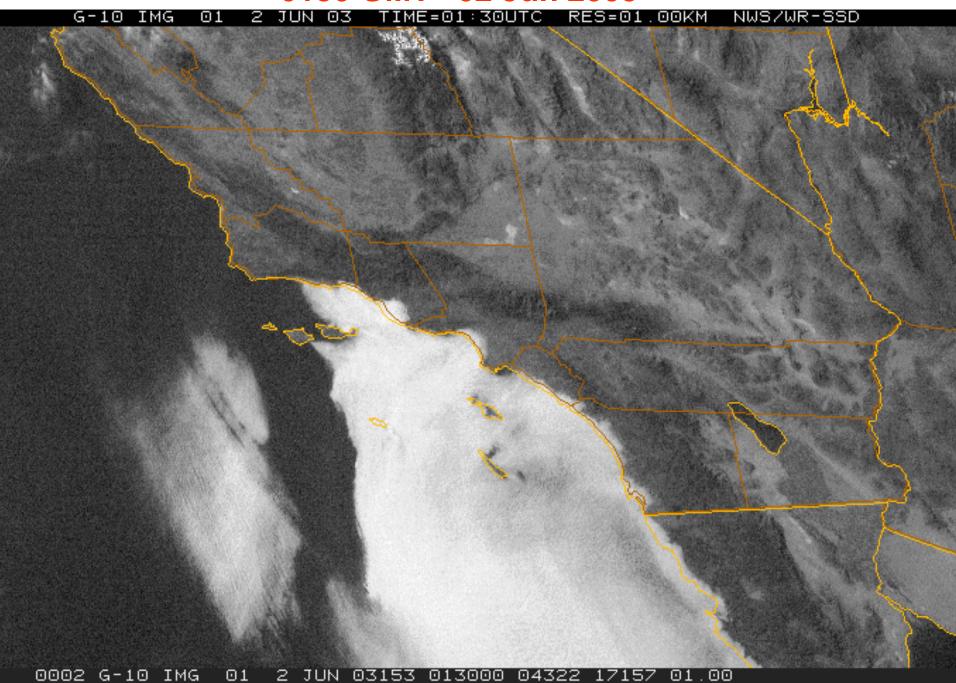


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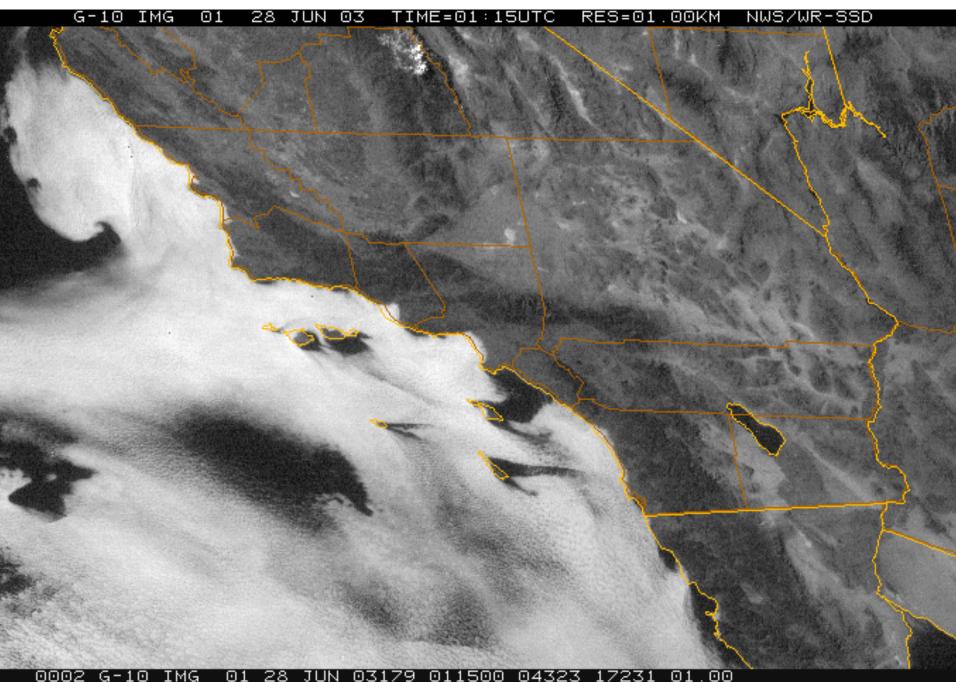


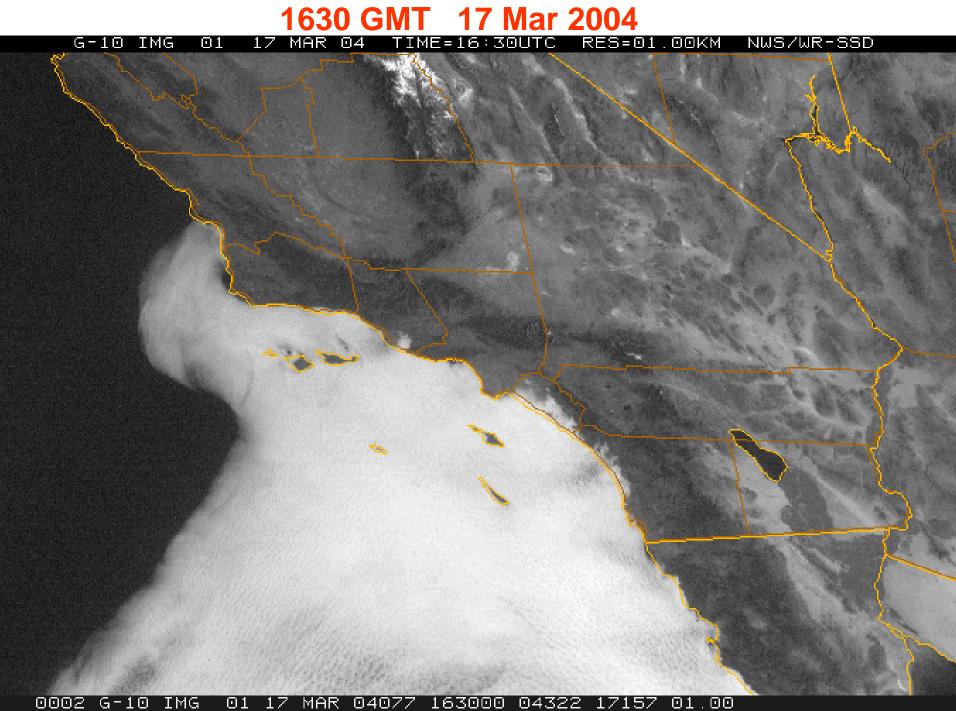


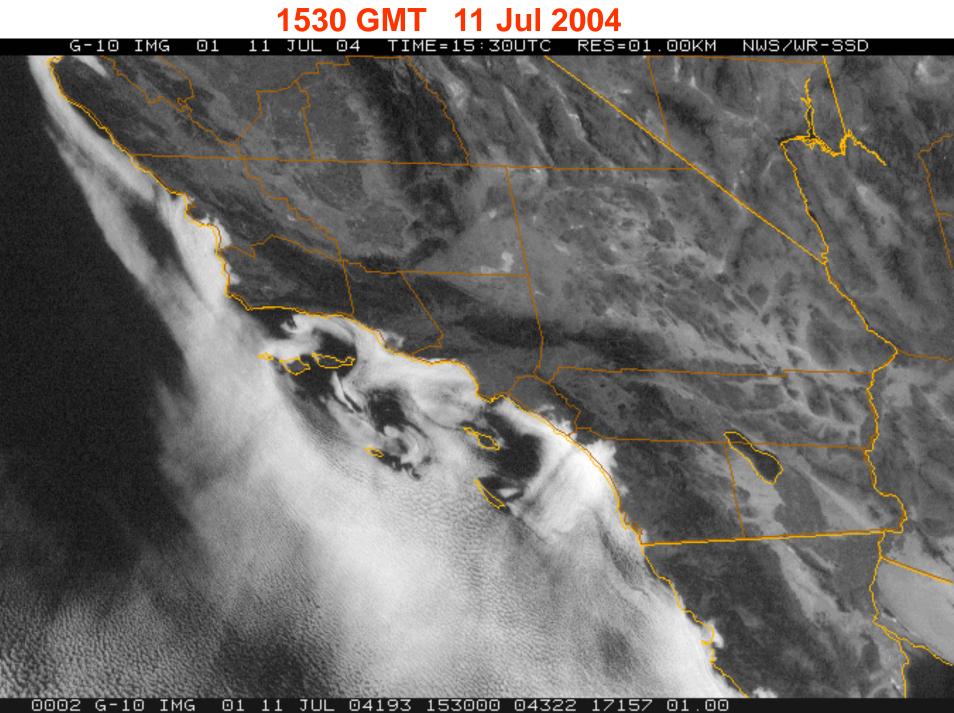
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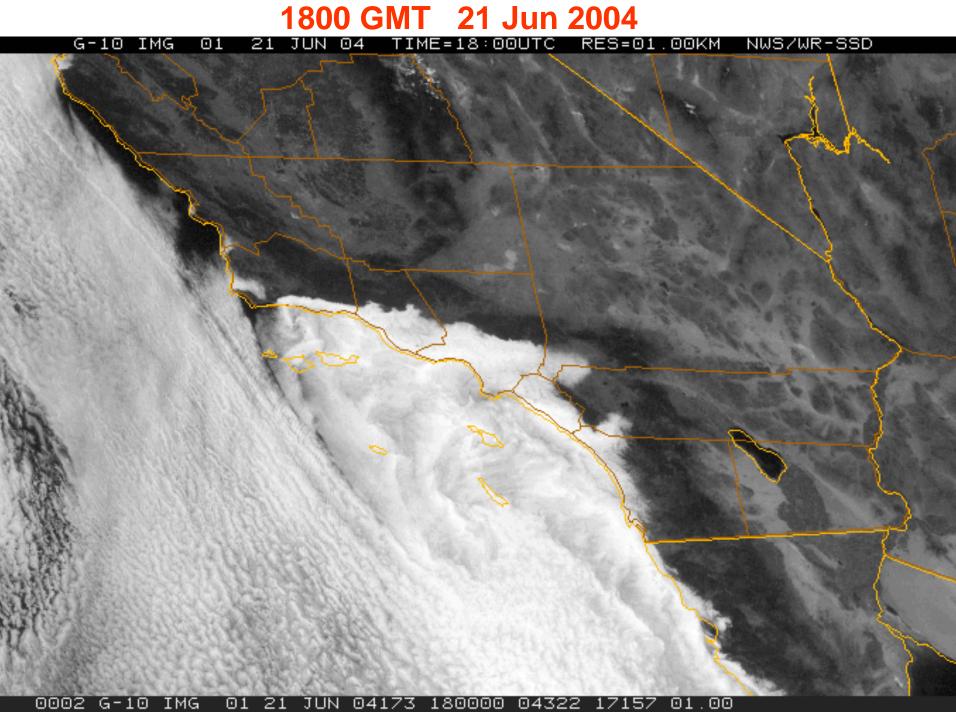


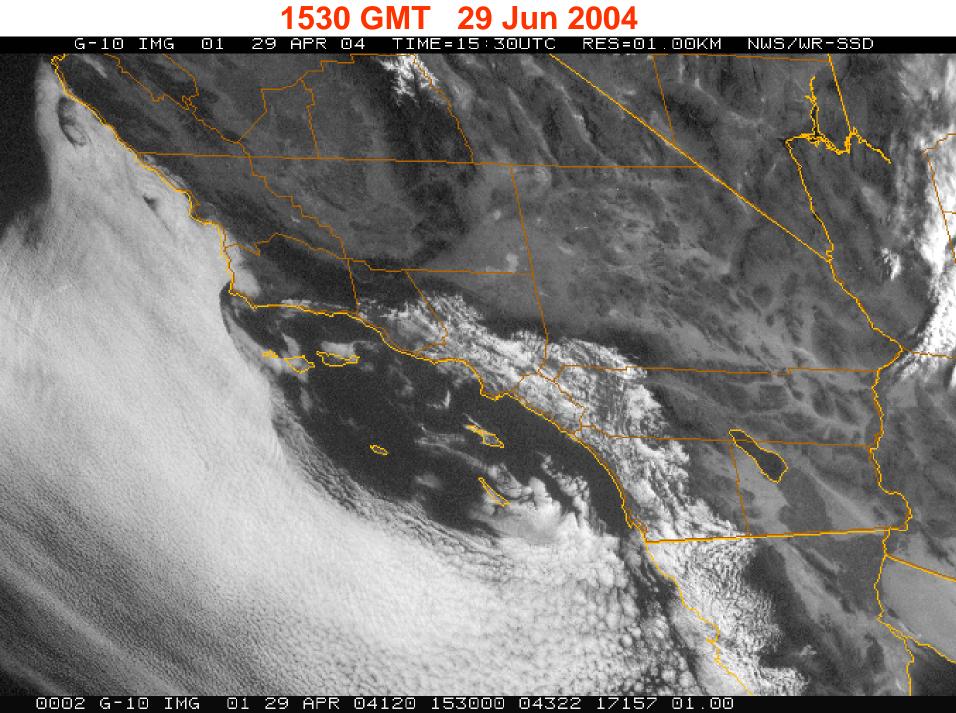
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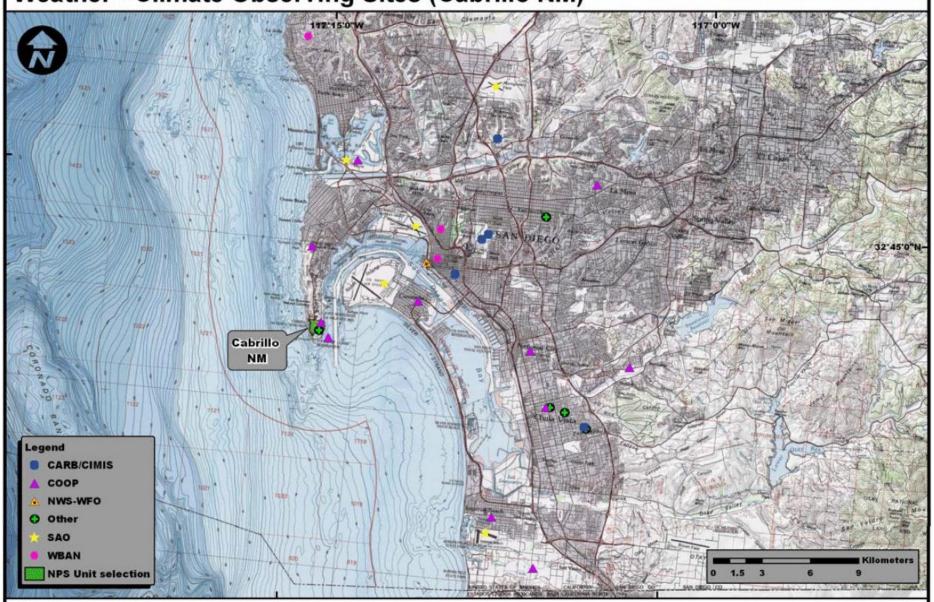








# Weather - Climate Observing Sites (Cabrillo NM)



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:SOUTHWESTERN CALIFORNIA TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION SUMMARY
:NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE SAN DIEGO CA
:530 AM PDT TUE APR 26 2011
:**** UPDATED *****
:YESTERDAYS HIGH AND 12 HOUR LOW TEMPERATURES AS OF 5 AM TODAY.
   * DENOTES 24 HOUR HIGH TEMPERATURES AS OF 5 PM YESTERDAY.
     OCCASIONALLY THE HIGH TEMPERATURE MAY HAVE OCCURRED AFTER
     5 PM THE PREVIOUS DAY.
:PRECIPITATION FOR THE PAST 24 HOURS.
                                       M DENOTES MISSING.
   T DENOTES TRACE OF PRECIPITATION
.BR SGX 0426 P DH01/TAIRZX/DH04/TAIRZP/PPDRZZ/SDIRZZ
: ID :
           STATION
                             ELEV : HIGH / LOW / PCPN / SNODEP
                             FEET
                                                         INCHES
         ...COASTAL AREAS...
YBLC1:
                                             M /
         * YORBA LINDA
                              350 :
                                      73 /
FUL :
           FULLERTON AIRPORT
                              96 :
                                      74 / 58 /
                                                  0.00 /
ANAC1:
         * ANAHEIM
                              335 :
                                      73 /
                                             M /
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STAC1:
         * SANTA ANA
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SDHTB:
           HUNTINGTON BEACH
                                5 :
                                      68 / 54 /
                                                  0.00 /
SNA :
           JOHN WAYNE AIRPORT 55:
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3L3 :
         * NEWPORT BEACH
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           LAGUNA BEACH
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           DANA POINT
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                                      67 / 59 /
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SDFRH:
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         * OCEANSIDE HARBOR
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# Example of a typical data puzzle

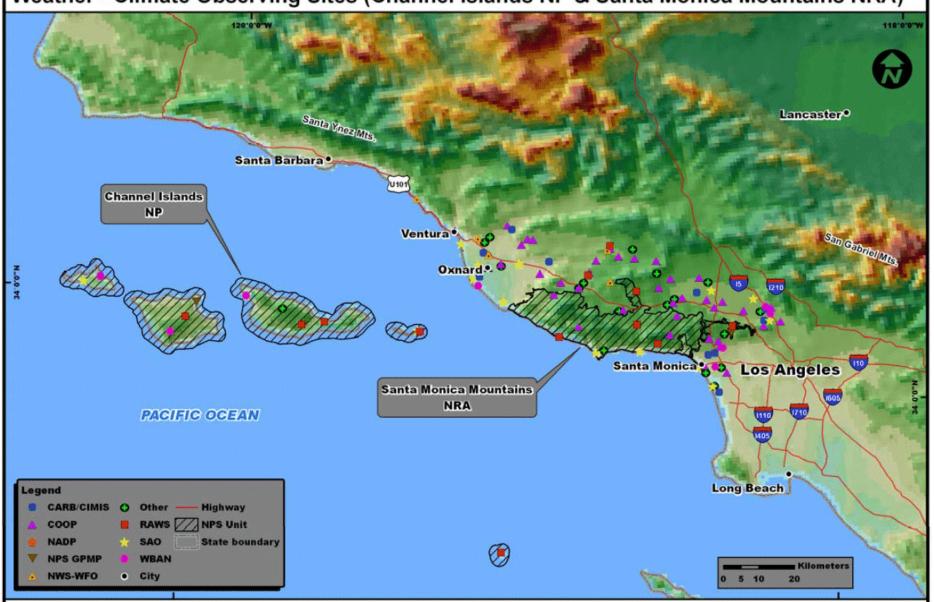
04-1252 Cabrillo N.M.

Not in NCDC current data (and thus not in ACIS) (though shown in Multi-Network Metadata System, MMS)

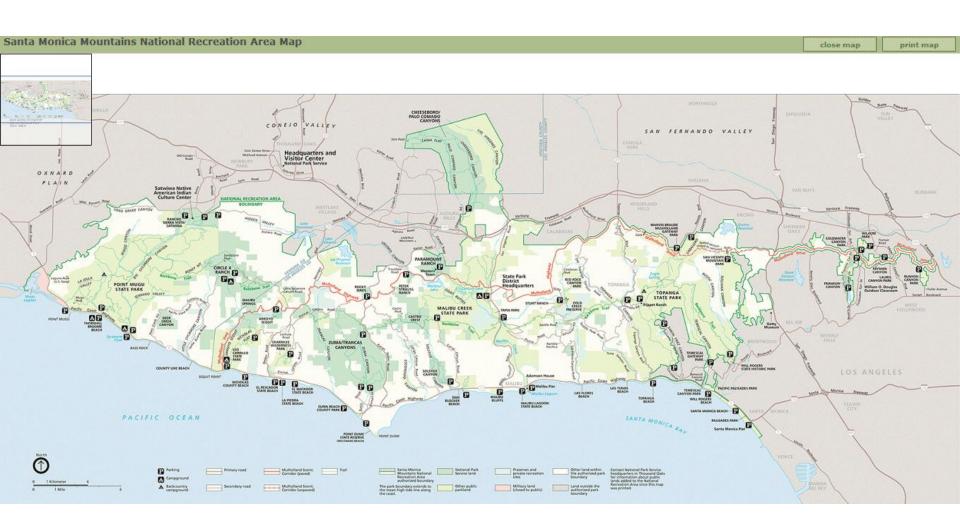
But <u>is</u> in NWS Daily RTP

Saved by WRCC but not by NCDC

# Weather - Climate Observing Sites (Channel Islands NP & Santa Monica Mountains NRA)



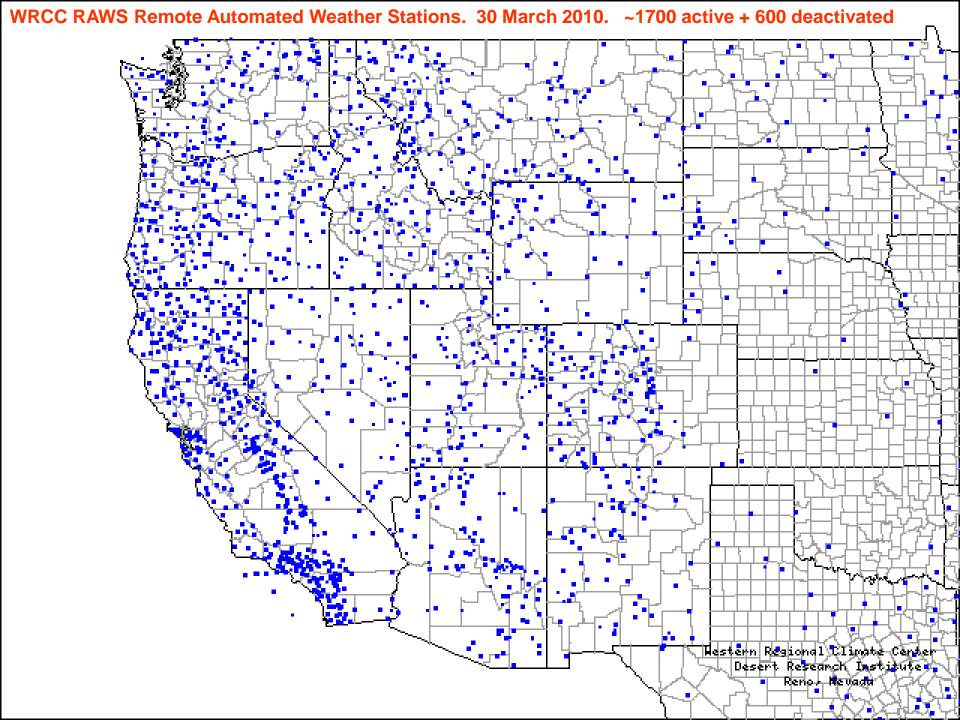
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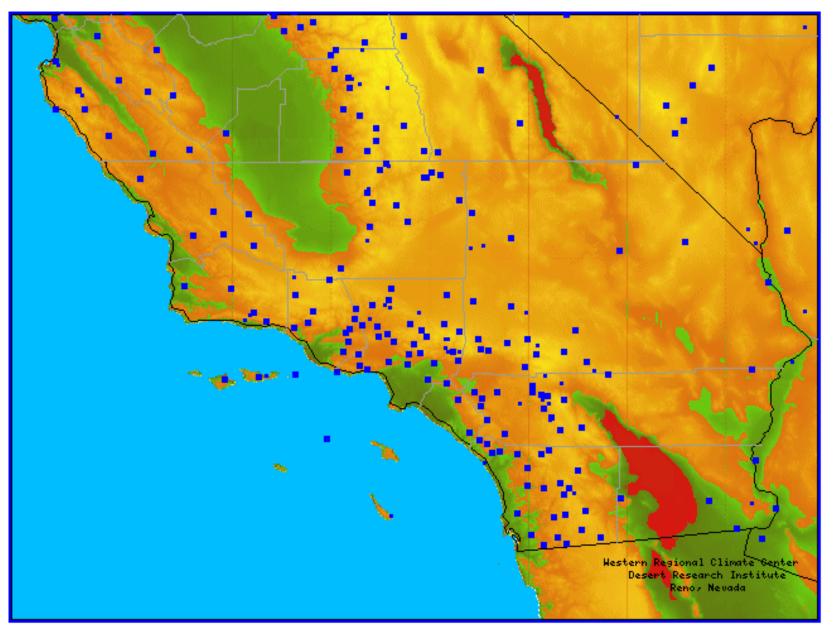
### Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area - West Side







# **RAWS Stations in Southern California**



www.raws.dri.edu

### **Channel Island National Park Stations**

### RAWS/NDBC Buoy/Manual Ranger Stations

#### Recent web page changes:

· Composite Daily Summaries added. (Link found below the map.)



Click on site of interest for more information.

Data is subject to review and verification.

Composite Daily Summaries

#### **Historical Climate Data**

Anacapa Island
Santa Barbara Island
Santa Cruz Island
San Miguel Island
Santa Rosa Island

#### Cooperating Agencies:





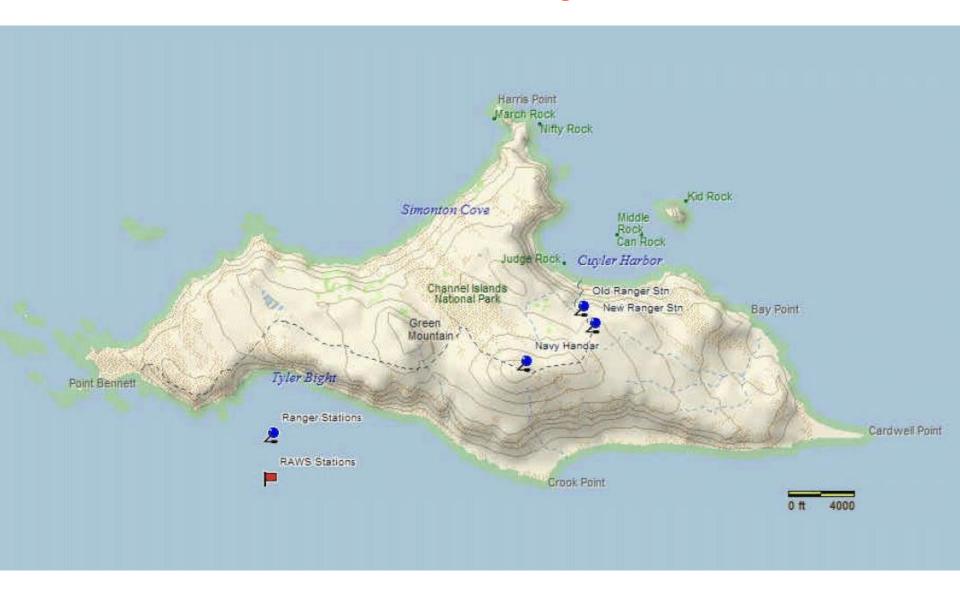




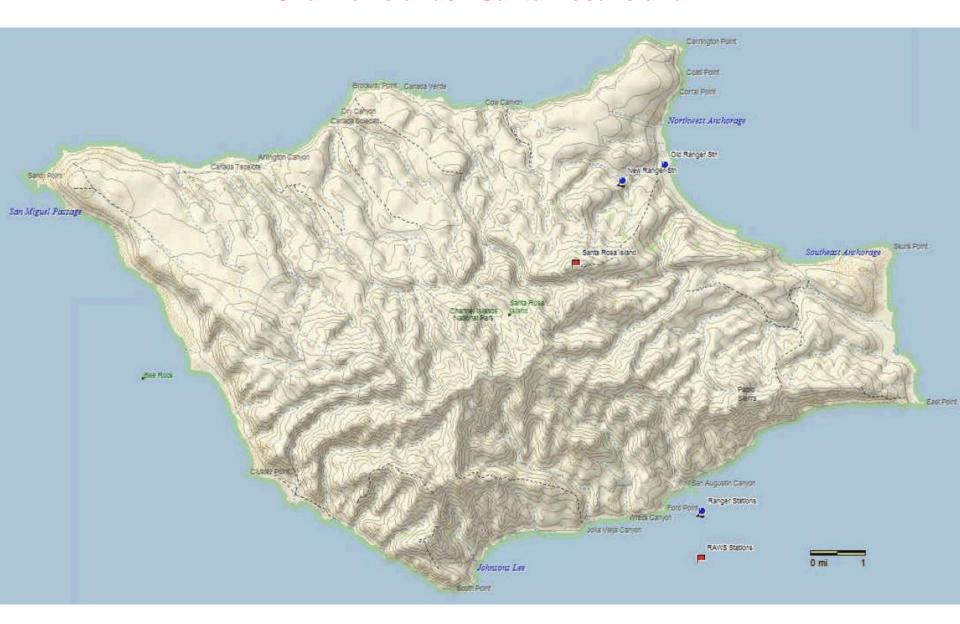


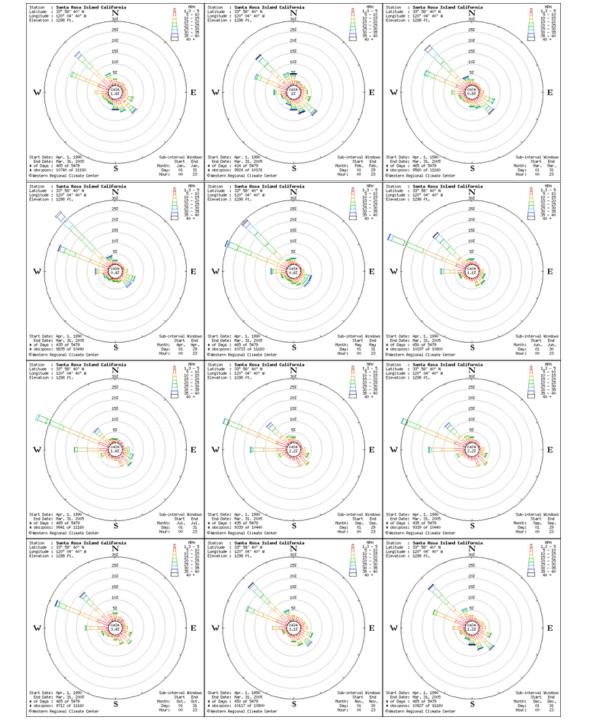


# **Channel Islands - San Miguel Island**



### **Channel Islands - Santa Rosa Island**





**Monthly Wind Roses** 

Santa Rosa Island

Black Mtn summit 1300 ft

Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec

**All hours** 

1990-2005

Approx 10,000 observations each month.

# **Channel Islands - Santa Cruz Island**



#### **Channel Islands - Santa Cruz Island East Side Detail**





## **Channel Islands - Anacapa Island**



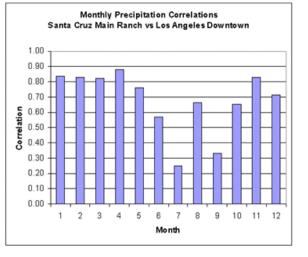
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### **Santa Barbara Island Climate Station**

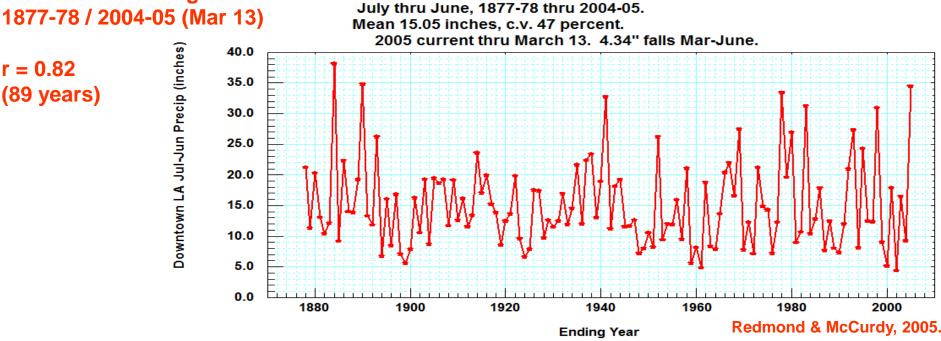


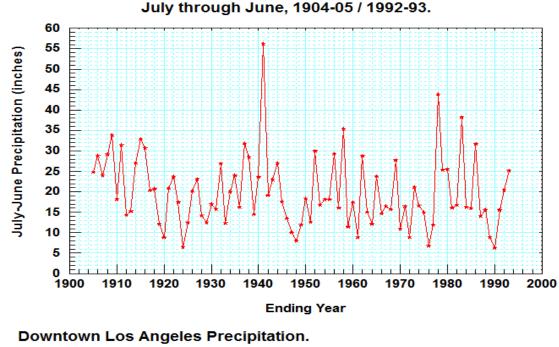
**WRCC Web Site Station Metadata** 



**Winter-centered Precipitation** Main Ranch 1904-05 / 1992-93 and **Downtown Los Angeles** 

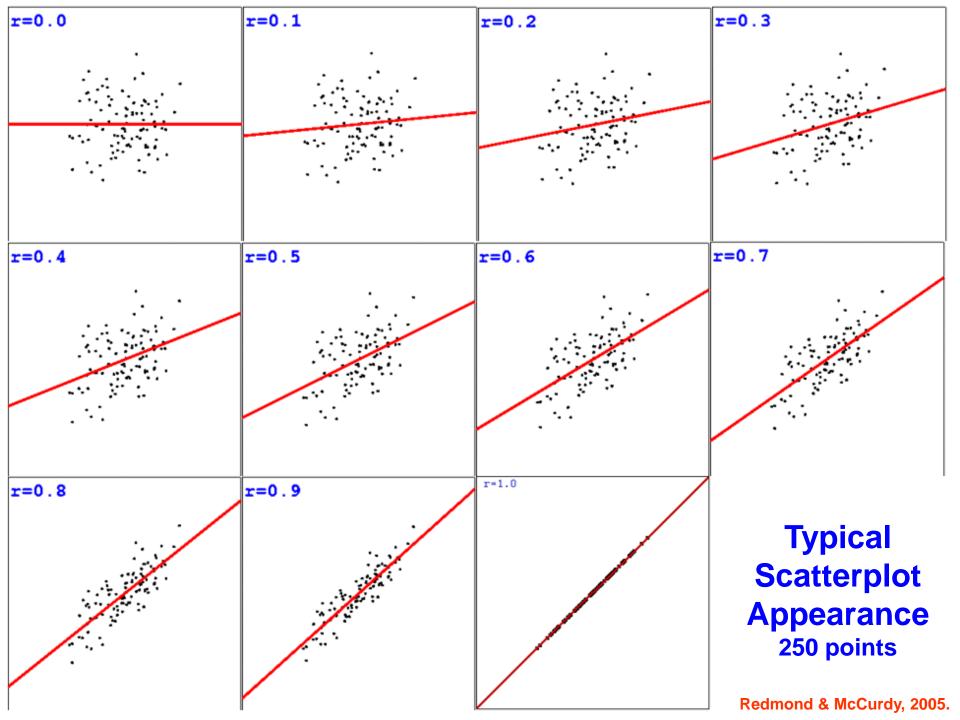
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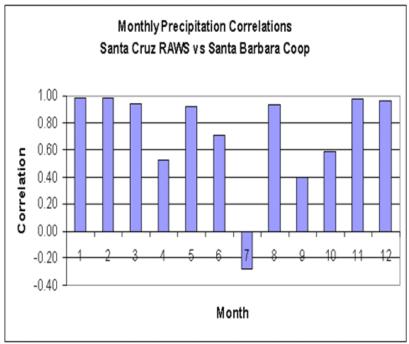


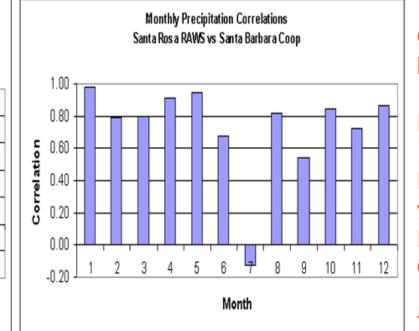


Santa Cruz Island Main Ranch

**Annual Winter-centered Precipitation** 







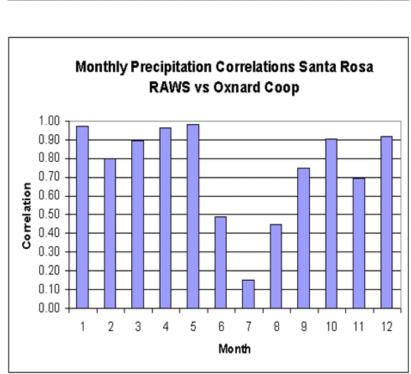


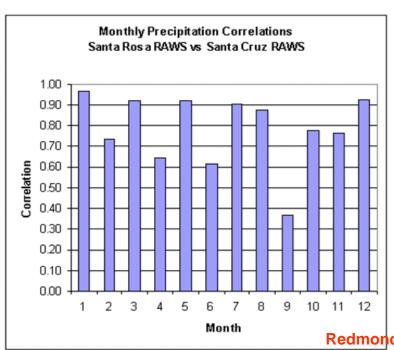
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RAWS vs RAWS and COOP

Yrs 9-12, 11-13







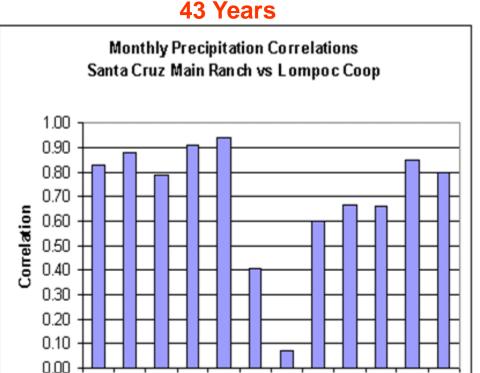
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### Correlation by month. Precipitation. Santa Cruz Main Ranch vs 2 shore stations.

10 11 12

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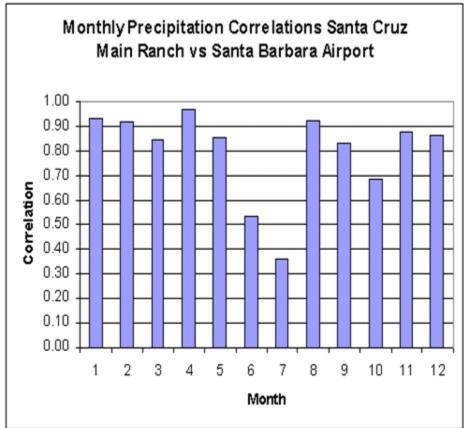
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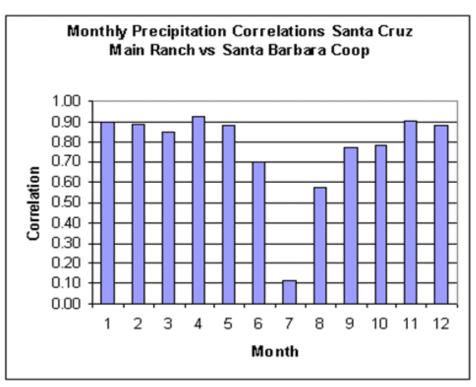
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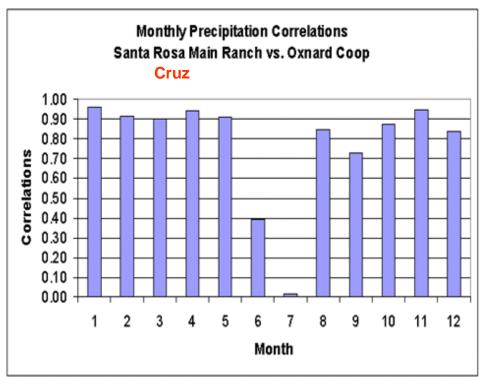
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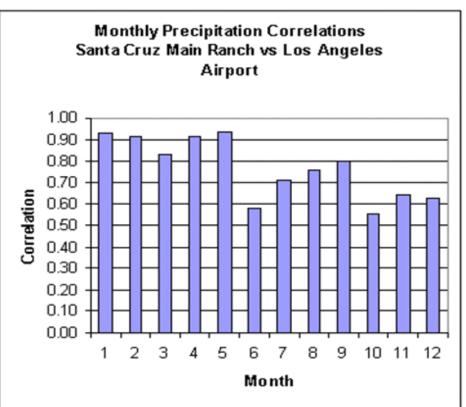
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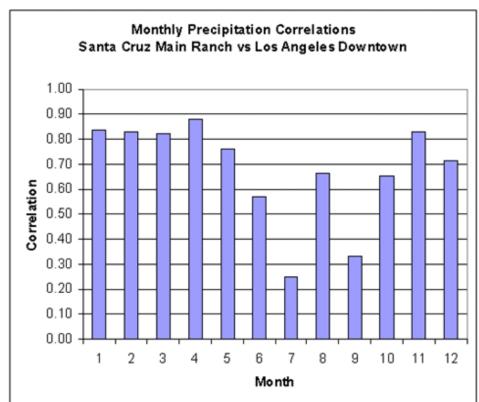
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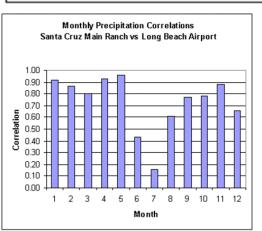




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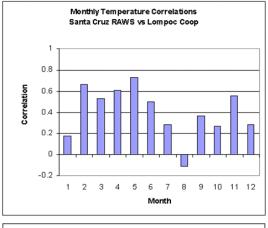


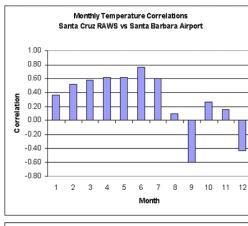


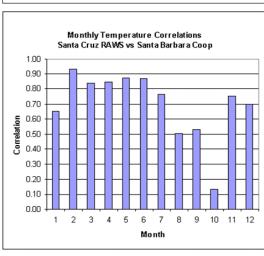


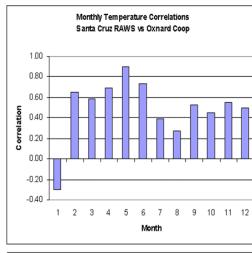
Santa Cruz Main Ranch vs Long Beach Airport

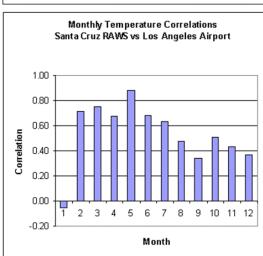
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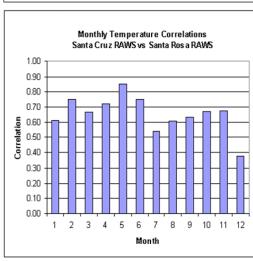












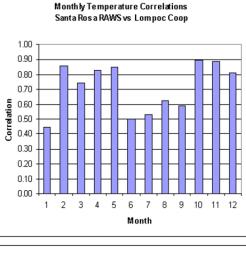
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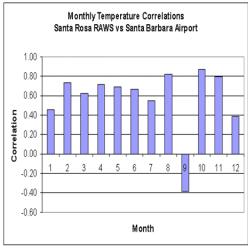
Santa Cruz RAWS
vs
Shore stations
and vs
Santa Rosa RAWS

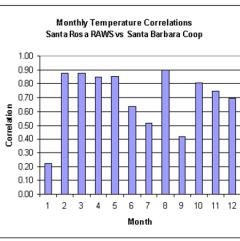
Yrs 10-12, 6-8

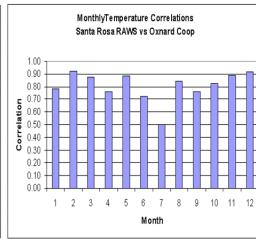
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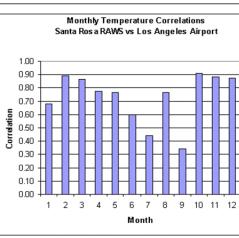
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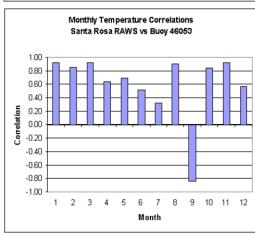












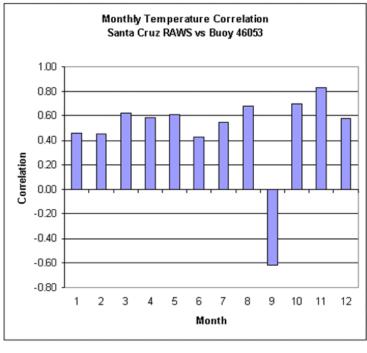
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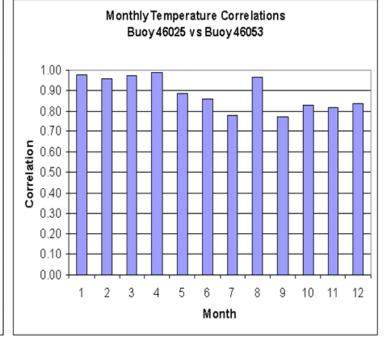
Santa Rosa RAWS vs Shore stations and vs Buoy 46053

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10-13, 9-13

10-13, 6-8

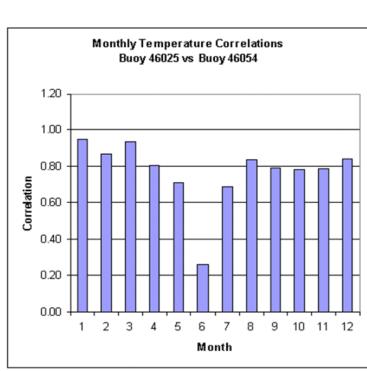


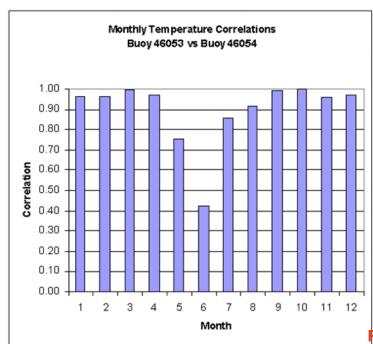


**Temperature** 

Santa Cruz RAWS vs Buoy 53

Buoys vs Buoys

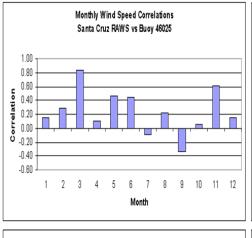


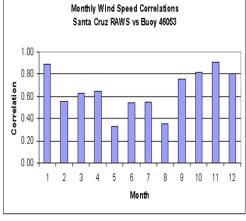


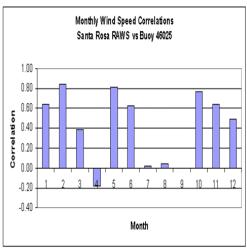
Yrs 5-7, 7-8

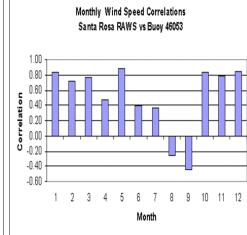
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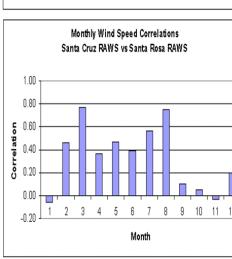
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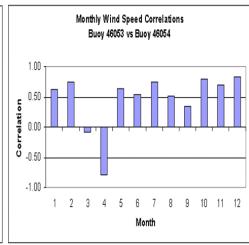












## **Scalar Wind Speed**

# Santa Cruz, Santa Rosa RAWS vs Buoys

## Santa Cruz RAWS vs Santa Rosa RAWS

Buoys vs Buoys

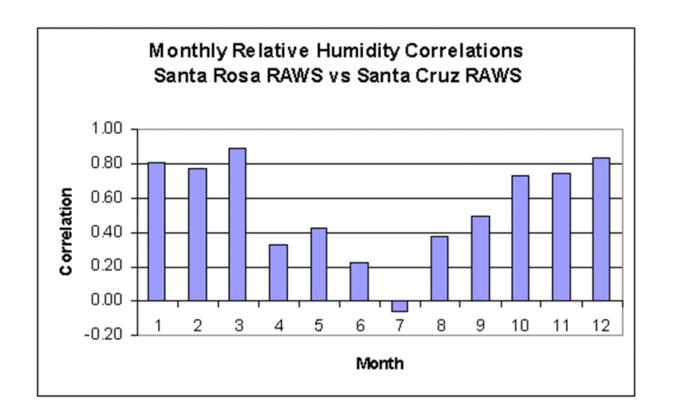
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9-12, 5-8

### Correlation by month. Relative Humidity. Santa Rosa RAWS vs Santa Cruz RAWS.

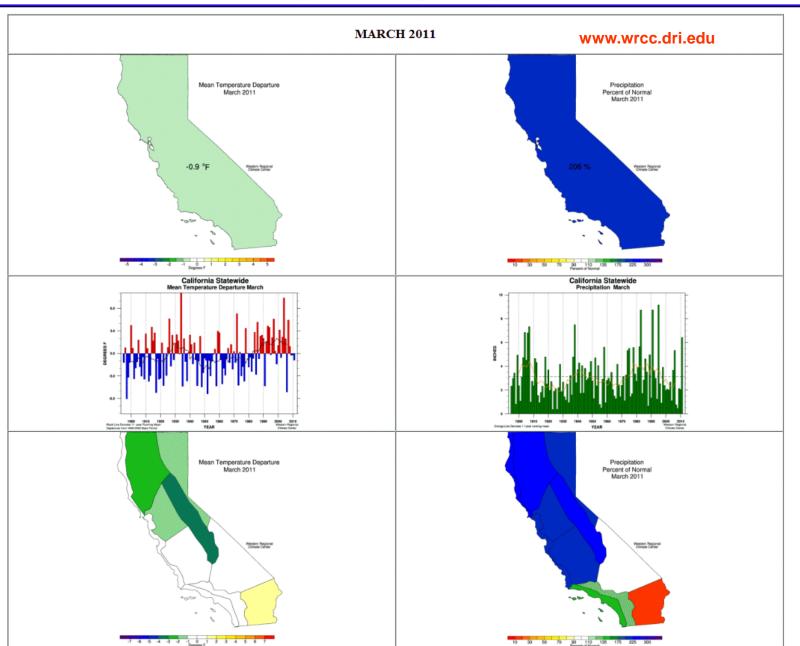
9-12 yrs



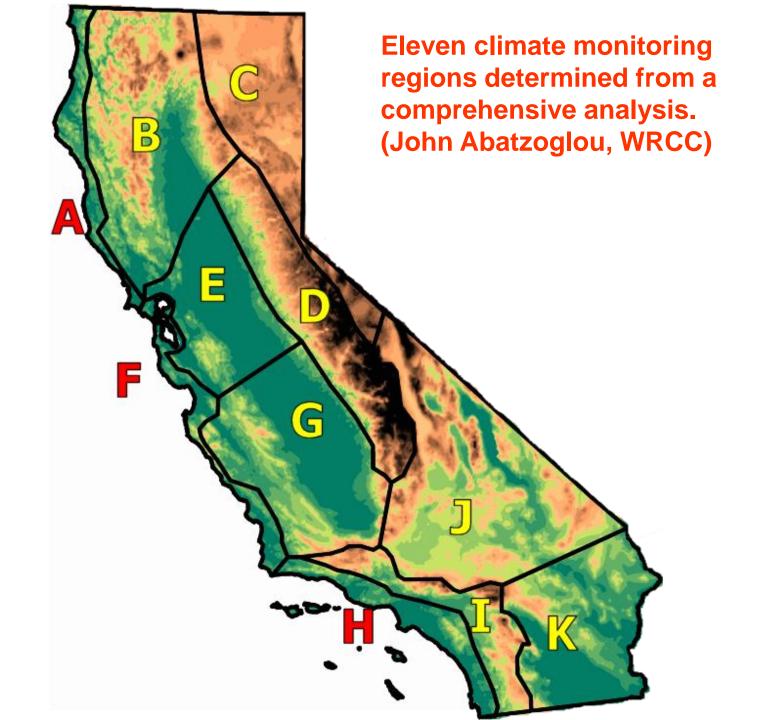
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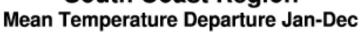
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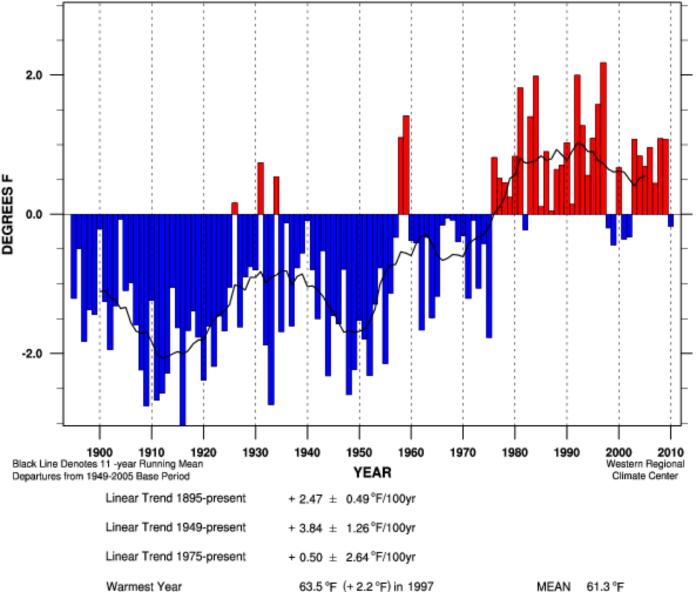


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# South Coast Region





**Annual Temperature Departure** 

South Coast

1895-2010

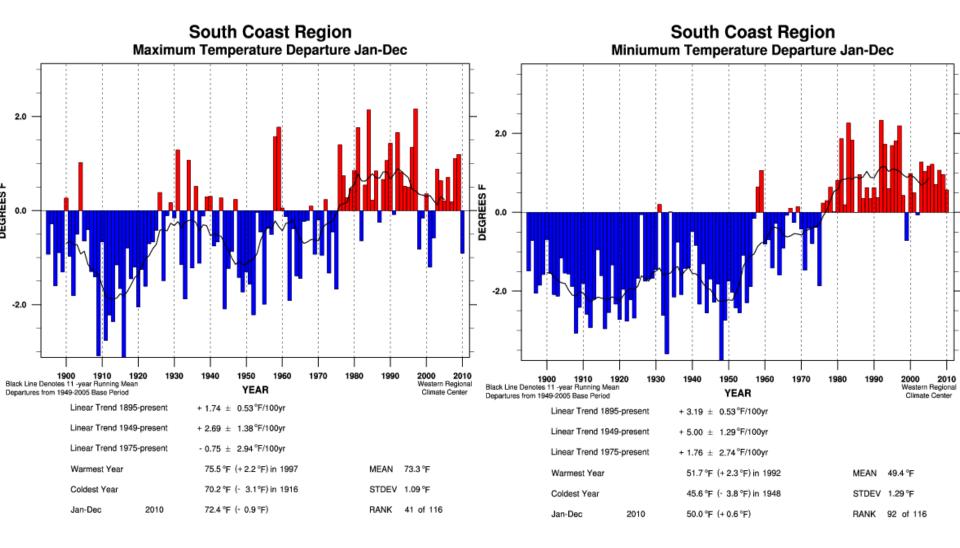
Warmest Year 63.5 °F (+ 2.2 °F) in 1997 58.3 °F (- 3.0 °F) in 1916 Coldest Year

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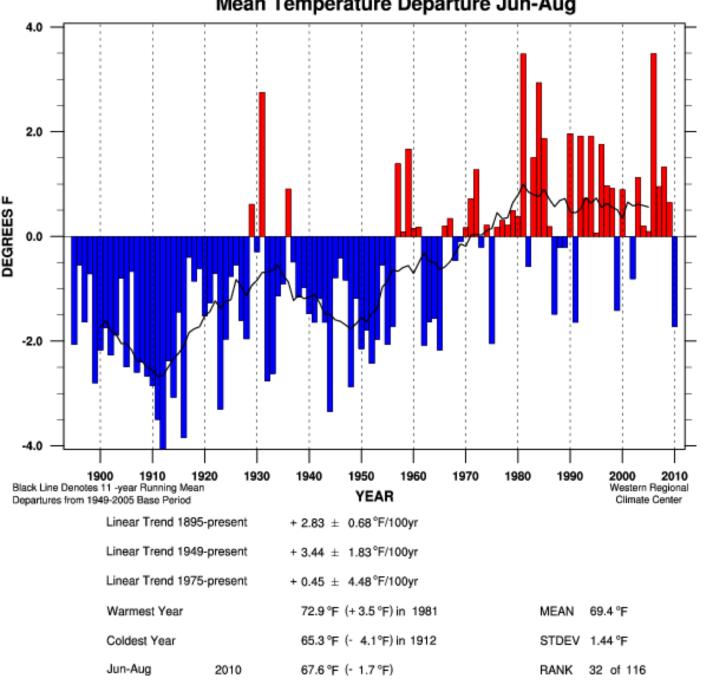
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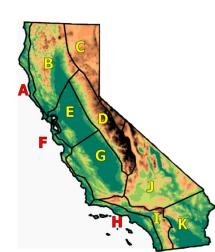
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Summer
Jun-Jul-Aug
Temperature
Departure

South Coast

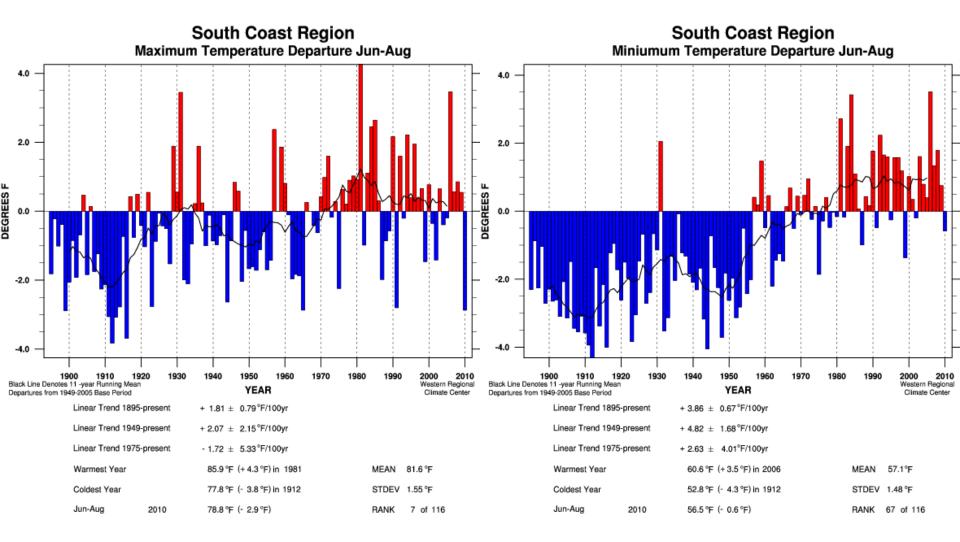
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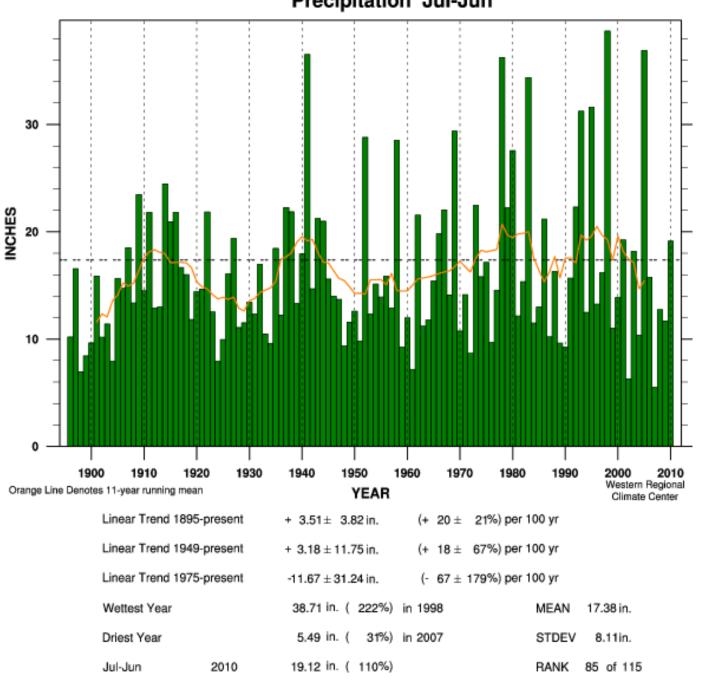
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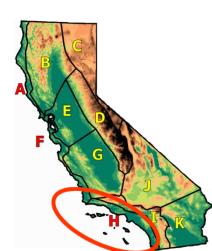
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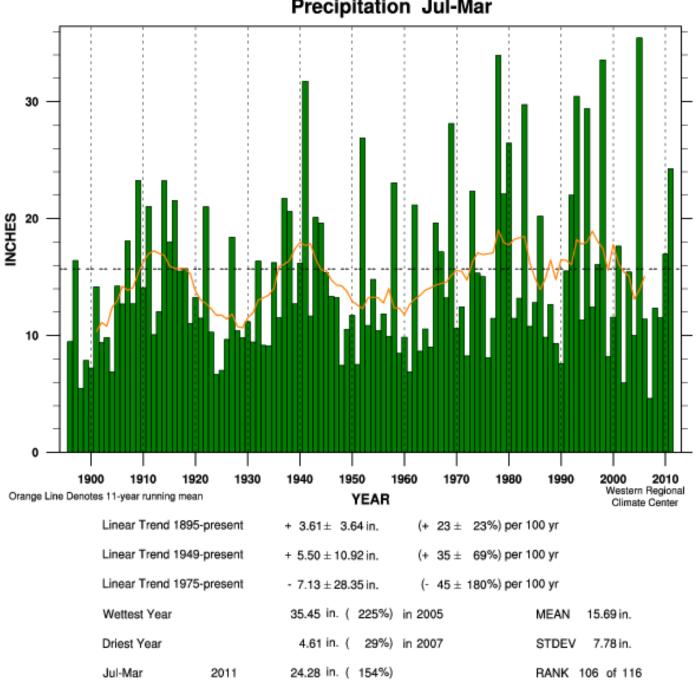
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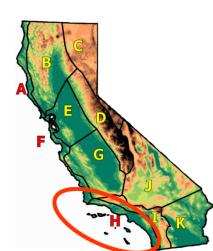


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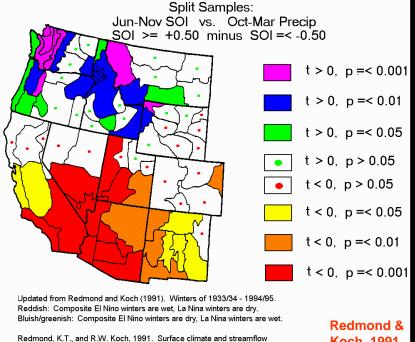
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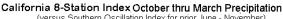


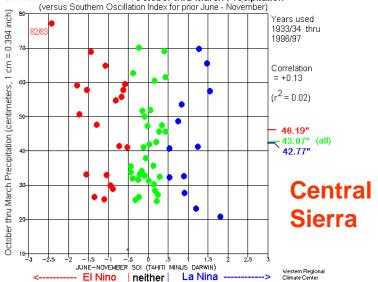


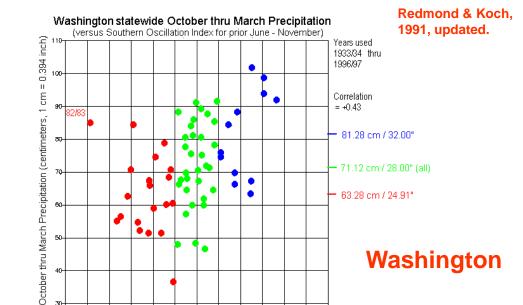


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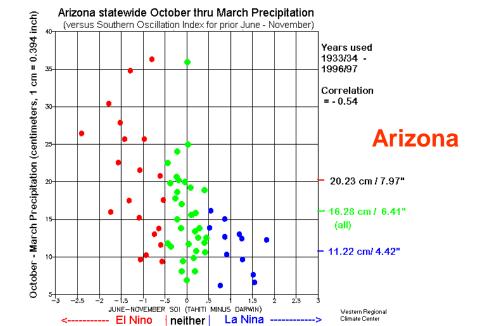






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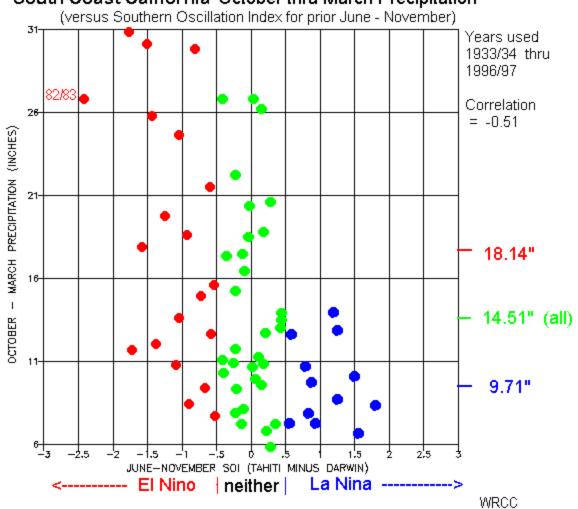




JUNE-NOVEMBER SOI (TAHITI MINUS DARWIN)

El Nino | neither | La Nina

#### South Coast California October thru March Precipitation



p.s.

**South Coast California** 

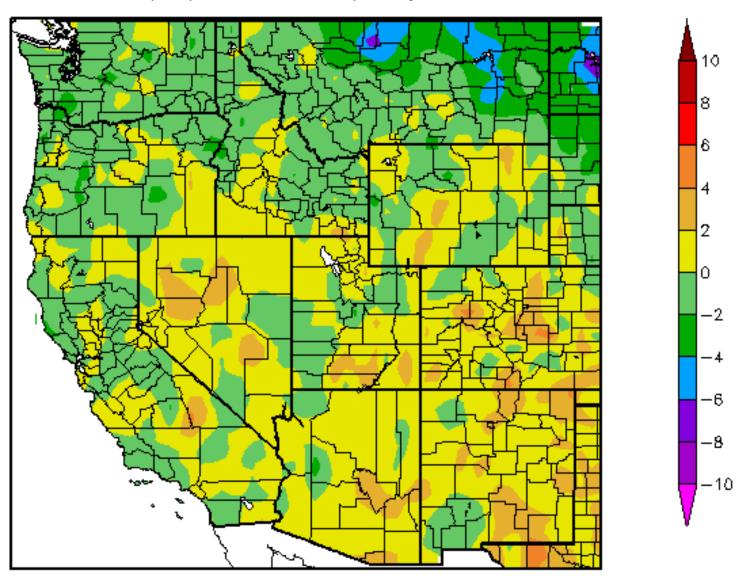
Has never (=64 years) had a wet La Nina winter

# Temperature Departure

Departure from Normal Temperature (F) 10/1/2010 - 4/25/2011

Water Year to Date

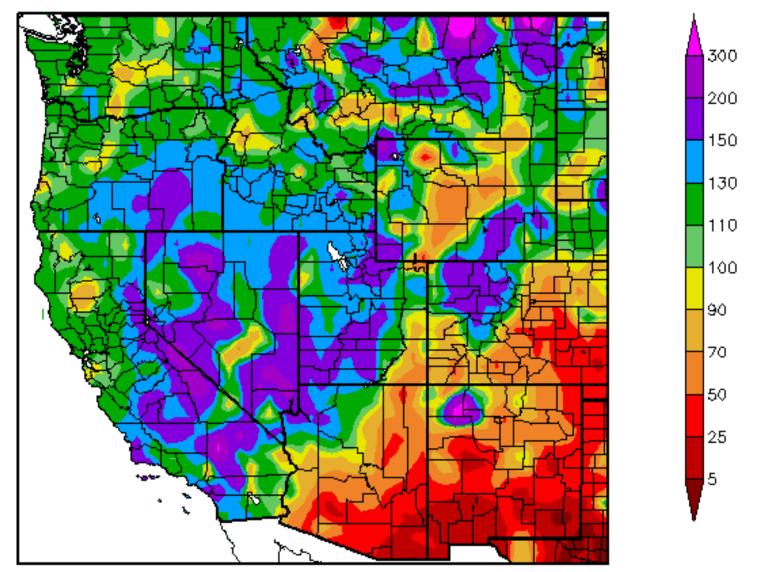
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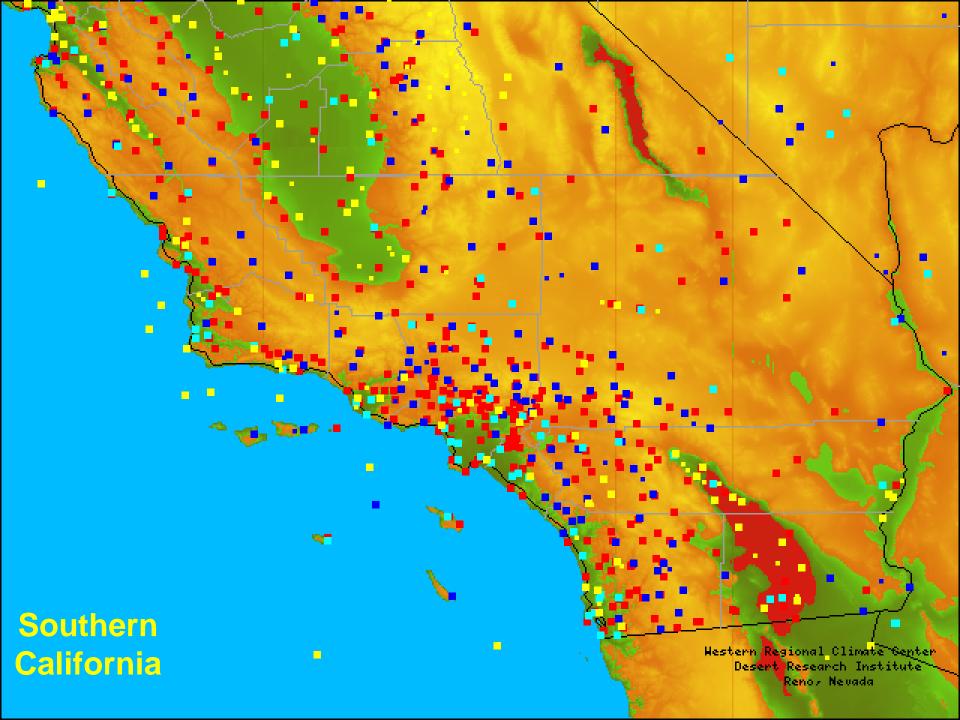


Water Year Precipitation

01 Oct 2010 Thru 25 April 2011

Percent of Average Percent of Normal Precipitation (%) 10/1/2010 - 4/25/2011





#### Santa Catalina Island Climate Stations



Click on site of interest for more information.

Data are subject to review and verification.

Composite Daily Summaries

Cooperating Agencies:





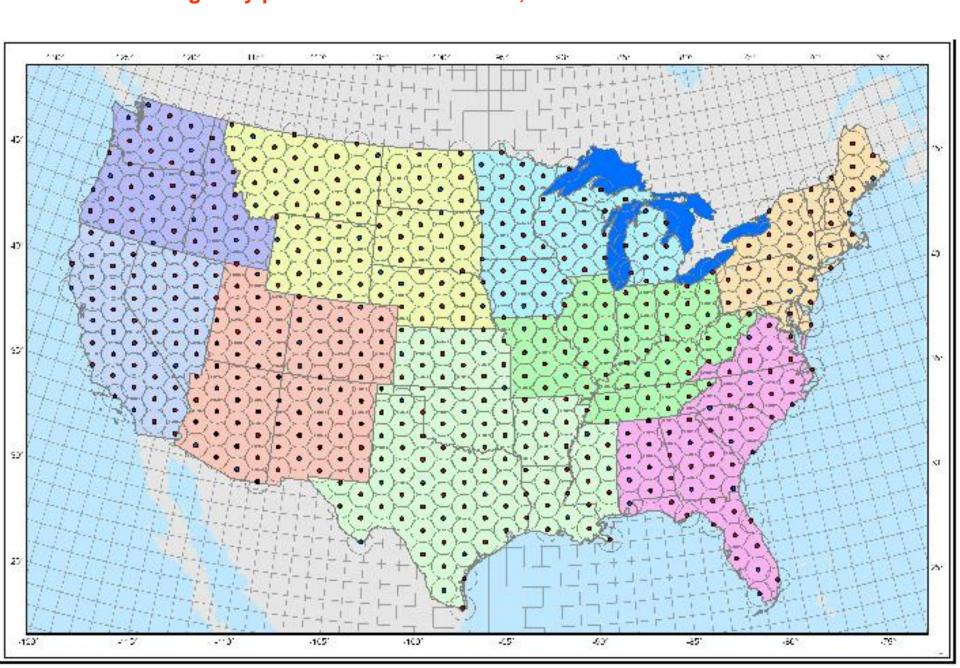


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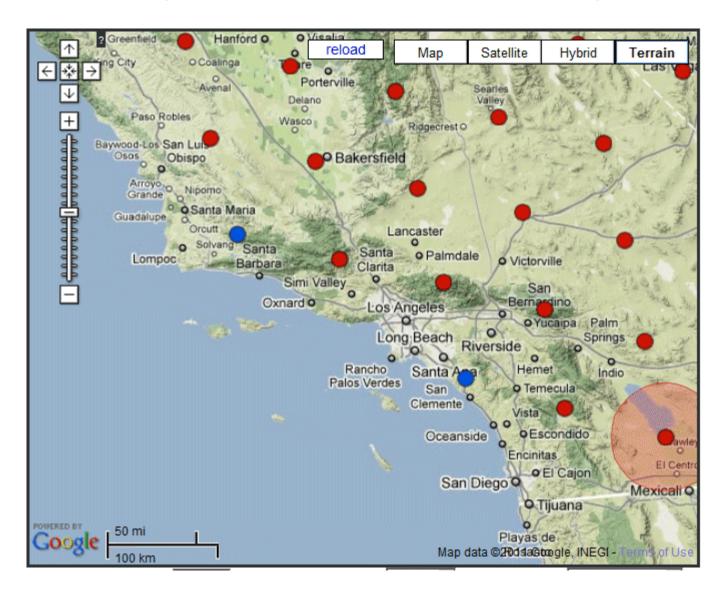
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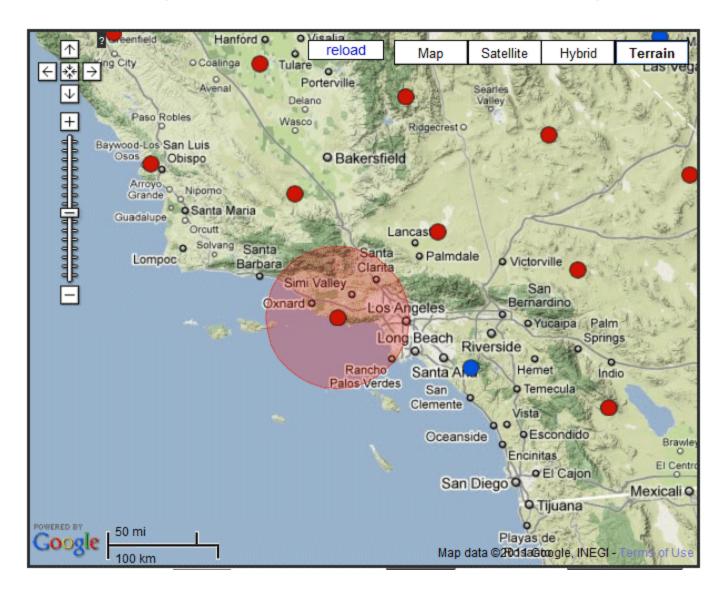
2010 Revised HCN-M grid, now called US RCRN (US Regional Climate Reference Network)
Originally planned for 1000 stations, now revised to 538 stations.

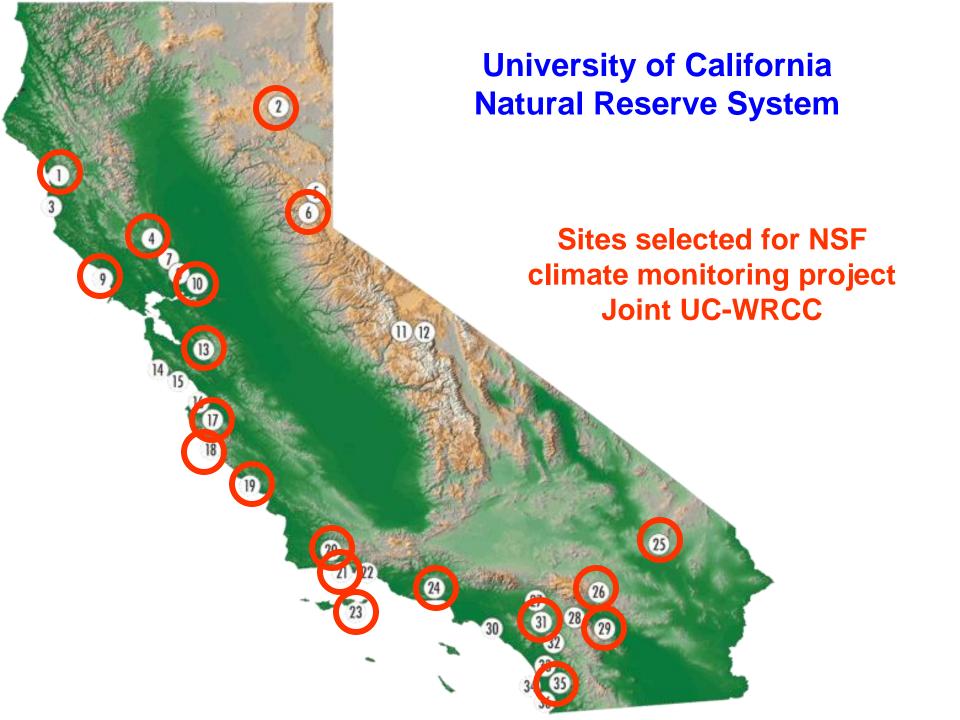


### US Regional Climate Reference Stations 50-km grid



### US Regional Climate Reference Stations 65-km grid





## **Memory jogger**

Reserve Name	Area (ha/ac.)	Plant Community	Elevation (m/ft.)	Reserve Adminstration
Angelo Coast Range	1,748 / 4,320	Redwoods, mixed conifer, Douglas Fir	378 - 1,290 / 1,240 -	Prof. Mary Power
Reserve		forests, meadows.	4,231	mepower@berkeley.edu
Chickering American	6,829 /	Montane subalpine coniferous forests,	1,830 - 2,470 / 6,000	Jeff Browne
River Reserve	16,875	aspen groves, meadows.	-8,100	sagehen@berkeley.edu
Hastings Natural	960 / 2,373	Coast range interior blue oak, valley oak	467 - 953 / 1,530 -	Mark Stromberg, Ph.D.
History Reservation		woodlands, annual grassland, riparian	3,125	stromberg@berkeley.edu
Blue Oak Ranch	1,319/3,259	Valley oak and blue oak woodlands,	454 - 870 / 1,489 -	Michael Hamilton, Ph.D.
Reserve		annual grasslands, riparian corridors.	2,855	mphamilton@berkeley.edu
Bodega Marine	221 / 545	Coastal scrub, coastal prairie, active and	0 - 190 / 0 - 60	Jackie Sones
Reserve		stabilized dunes, marine coast.		jlsones@ucdavis.edu
Jepson Prairie	634/1,566	Sacramento Valley remnant native	2 - 8 / 5 to 25	Virginia Boucher, Ph.D.
Reserve		prairie, vernal pools, annual grasslands.		vlboucher@ucdavis.edu
McLaughlin Natural	2,853 / 7,050	Serpentine grasslands, shrublands and	366 - 732 / 1,200 -	Kathi Koehler, Ph.D.
Reserve		oak woodlandsk. Riparian corridors.	2,400	mclaughlin@ucdavis.edu
Burns Piñon Ridge	124/306	Mohave and Sonoran Desert; piñon-	1,080 - 1,300 / 3,540	William Bretz
Reserve		juniper woodland, desert wash	- 4,260	wlbretz@UCI.edu
Stunt Ranch	125/310	Santa Monica Mountain coast live oak	392 - 472 / 1,285 -	Carol Felixson
		woodland, chaparral, riparian corridor	1,550	cfelixso@ucla.edu
Boyd Deep Canyon	6,737/	Desert wash, higher-piñon-juniper	9 - 2,657 / 30 - 8,716	Al Muth, Ph.D.
	16,647	woodland, Joshua trees, desert wash		deepcanyon@mindspring.co
Motte Rimrock	289 / 715	Riversidean Coastal Sage Scrub and	482 - 60 <del>5</del> /-1;5 (Formatted Table	
Reserve		annual grassland.	1,985	kjhalama@ucr.edu
Sweeney Granite	3,496 / 8,639	East Mojave Desert, bajadas with	1,128 - 2,070 / 3,700	Jim Andre, Ph.D.
Mountains		creosote scrub	-6,796	granites@telis.org
Elliott Chaparral	43 / 107	San Diego coastal desert, mesa edges,	61 - 305 / 200 - 1,000	Isabelle Kay
Reserve		coastal chaparral		ikay@ucsd.edu
Coal Oil Point	69 / 170	Coastal beach strand, estuary, dunes	0 - 12 / 0 - 40	Cristina Sandoval, Ph.D.
Natural Reserve				sandoval@lifesci.ucsb.edu
Rancho Marino	202/500	Rocky shoreline, coastal grasslands,	0 - 216 / 0 - 702	Don Canestro
Reserve		Monterey pine and coast live oak forest		canestro@lifesci.ucsb.edu
Santa Cruz Island	18,624/	sage scrub, chaparral, grasslands,	0 to 742 / 0 - 2,434	Lyndal Laughrin
Reserve	46,020	oak/pine woodlands,		laughrin@lifesci.ucsb.edu
Sedgwick Reserve	2,388/5,900	Inland coast live oak forest, blue oak	290 – 790 / 950 -	and Kate McCurdy, Ph.D.
		woodland, valley oak savannah,	2,600	mccurdy@lifesci.ucsb.edu
Valentine Camp /	62 / 154	Sierran upper-montane forest and Great	2,437 to 2,605 m	Dan Dawson
VESR		Basin sagebrush	(7,994 to 8,545 ft)	dawson@icess.ucsb.edu
Landels-Hill Big	1,584 ha	Redwood forest, coastal grasslands, oak	0 to 1,220 m (0 to	Mark Readdie, Ph.D.
Creek Reserve	(3,911 acres);	woodlands, pine-oak forest.	4,000 ft)	readdie@biology.ucsc.edu

### Do Microenvironments Govern Macroecology? NSF UCSB, UCB, UCLA, UCR, ASU, DRI

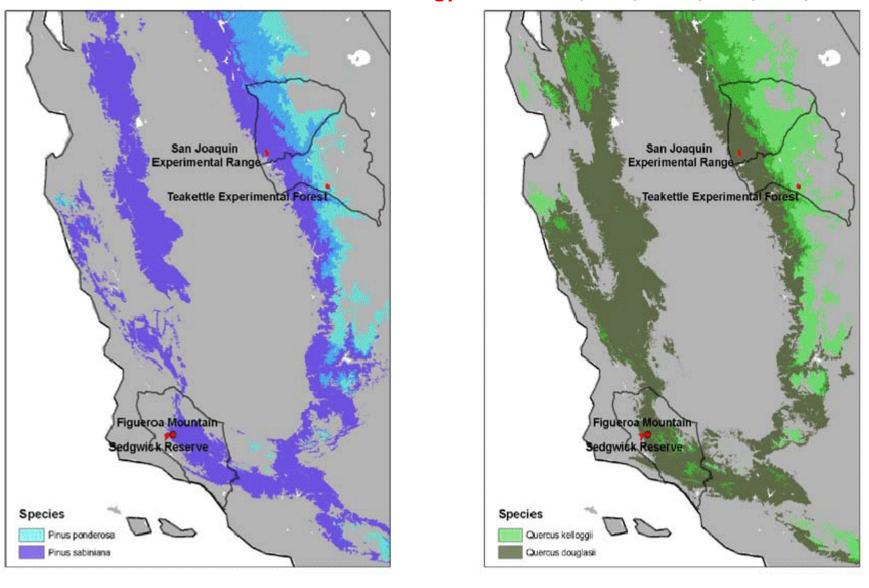
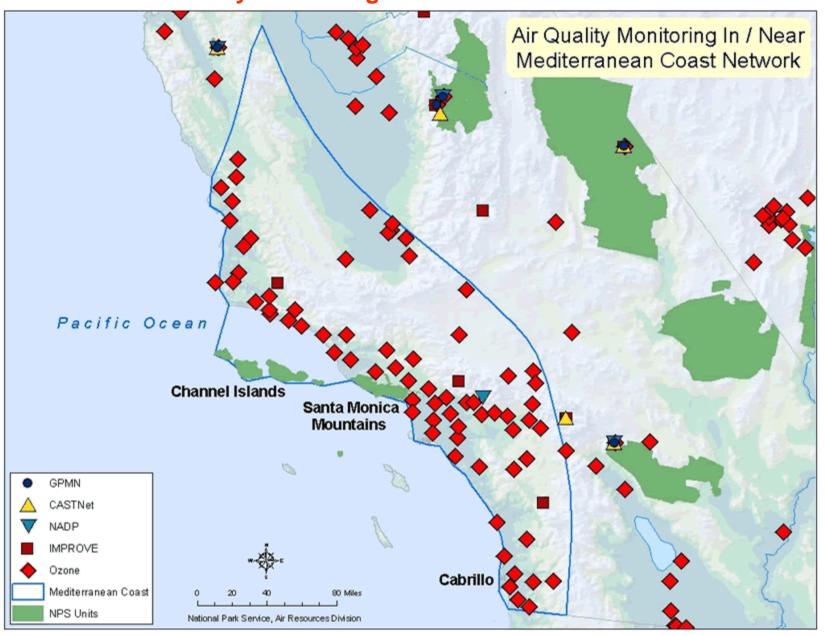


Figure 2. Location map of study areas with predicted current distributions of *Pinus* (left) and *Quercus* (right) target species. Color gradient denotes distribution of individual species as well as overlap. Experimental plot locations are shown in red and seed zone modeling domains are outlined in black.

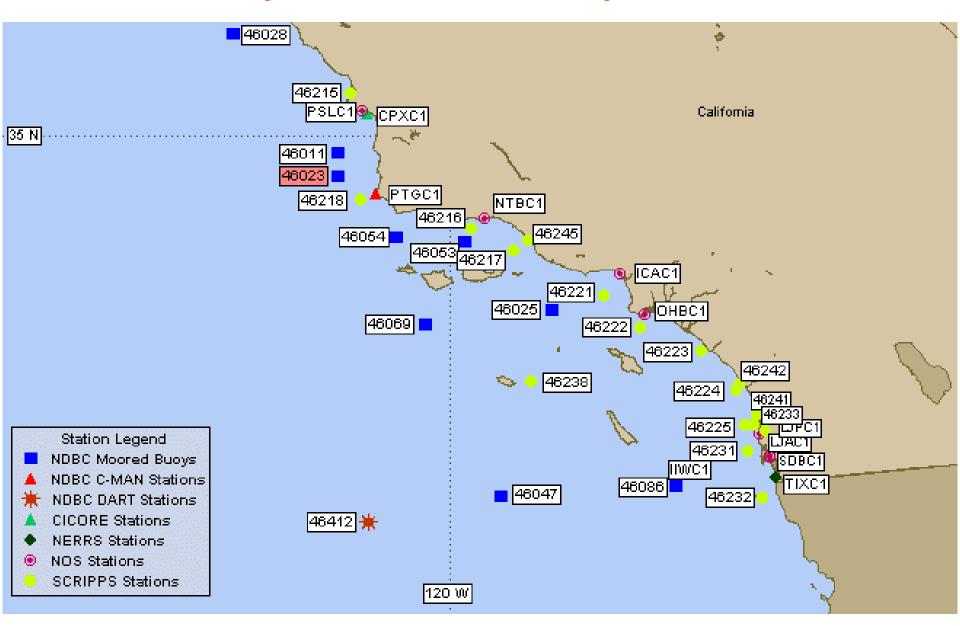


### Air Quality Monitoring in Southern California.



**Source: NPS MEDN** 

## **Buoys - National Data Buoy Center**



All NOAA buoy data online at WRCC until a format and system change at NDBS in 2006. Needs a re-write of ingest code to restart this automated flow.

NDBS NOAA 3-m Buoy



## **Scripps Waverider Buoy**

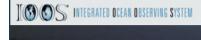
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ROMS Model Output Satellite Imagery

Ship Tracking (AIS) Ship Casts

Surface Current Mapping
Wave Conditions (CDIP)

Winds & Rainfall Forecasts

Grab Raw Data



### **LEGEND**

### Regions

- HAB Surveillance Area
- HAB Focus Area
- ✓ ASBS Regions

### Stationary Observations

- Automated Shore Stations
- ✓ ♣ Manual Shore Stations
- ☑ ▲ CDIP Buoys
- ✓ ★ Moorings

### Ship Casts

- CalCOFI Lines
- CalCOFI Stations
- ✓ ▲ CalCOFI SCCOOS Stations

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- Stream Gauges
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- Shoreline Water Quality
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Federal Register Notices: \* U.S. Integrated Ocean Observing System Advisory Committee (pdf) Certification Standards for Non-Federal Assets

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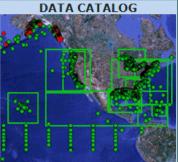
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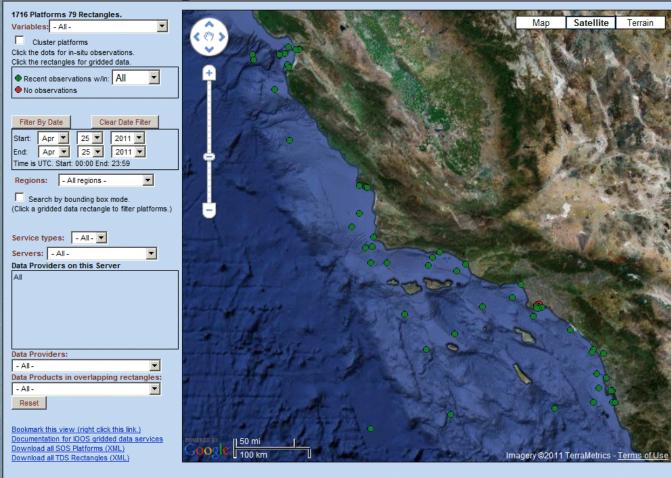


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**Coastal Climate Data Archive** 

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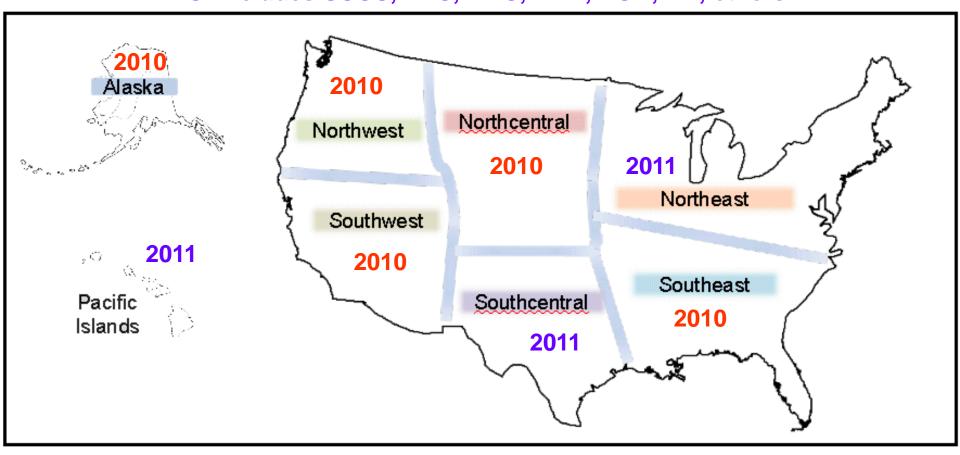
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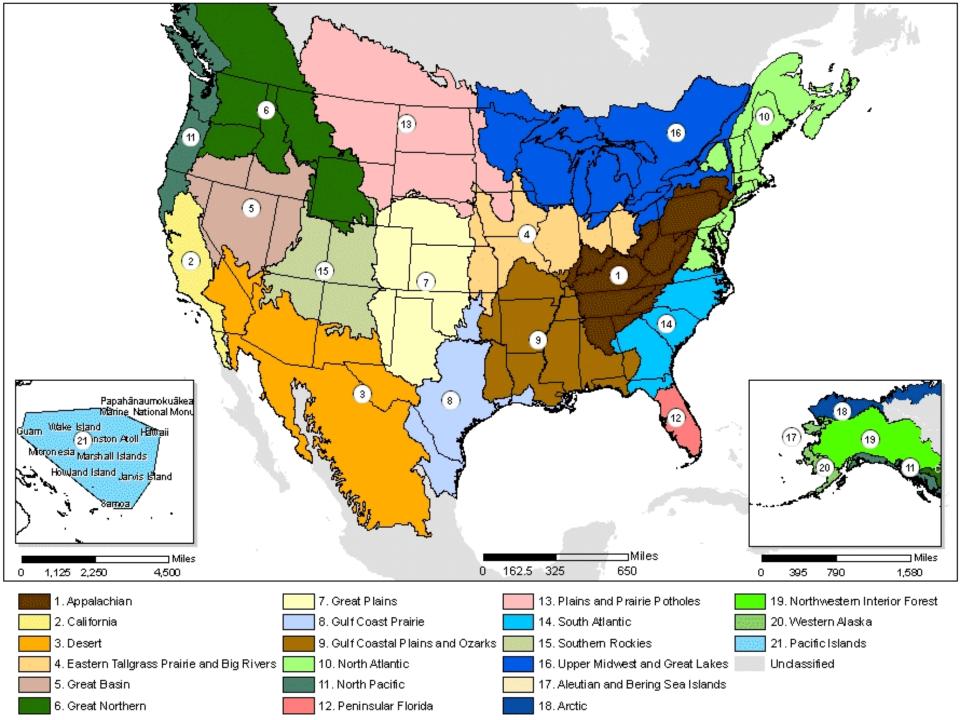
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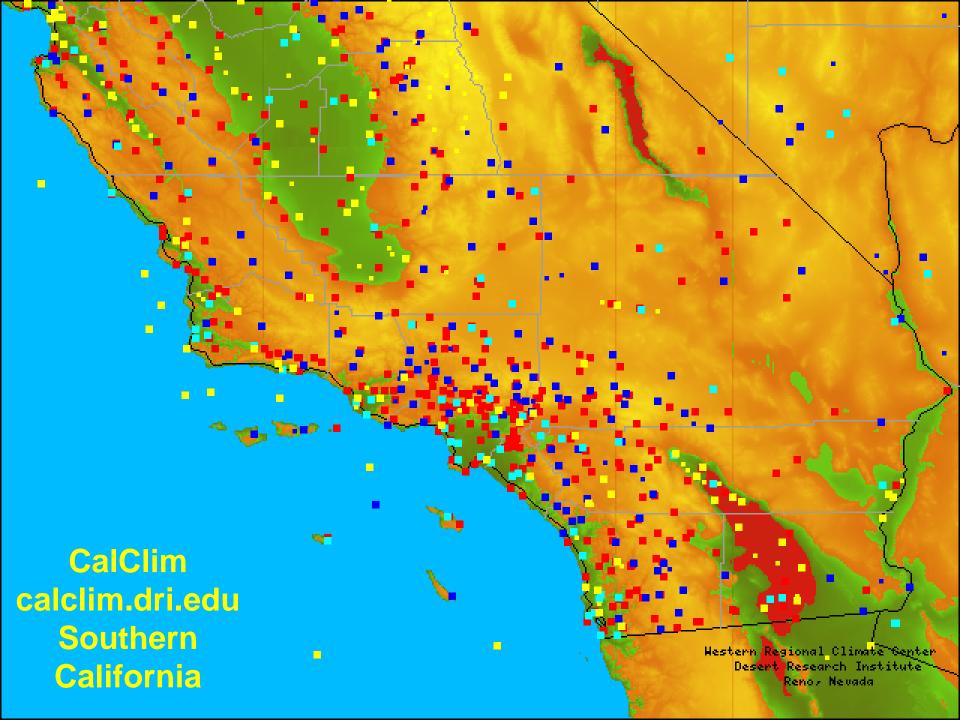
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## **Summary Points 1/2**

Large variety of data sources (very typical for a coastal environment)

## Consistency through time is essential

**Exposure (vegetation, structures, ground cover)** 

**Observational methodology** 

Overlaps between observational segments

Don't move the stations

## For long term monitoring

A few very well maintained stations better than many less maintained Supplement with opportunistic short(-er) term process studies

## Very strong horizontal and vertical climate gradients

Need to sample each of these

**Vertical transects** 

**Horizontal transects** 

## Precipitation is fairly well correlated among sites

Big advantage (for measurement) - no snow at most elevations!

Other climate elements less well correlated

## **Summary Points 2/2**

Need to be ready and capable to measure the biggest extremes
A climate change issue
Ambiguous evidence of change in southern California

### **Channel Islands**

Should have at least one climate station each island Bigger islands low and high elevation sampling

Long term consistent fog record(s) would be really helpful Proxy or direct or both

Important to distinguish decadal scale variability from "change"

## **Drought**

Soil moisture a very good integrator
More point measurements
Model assistance is needed, cannot measure enough places
Drought indices tailored to ecological needs
Islands can get into drought difficulty fairly rapidly



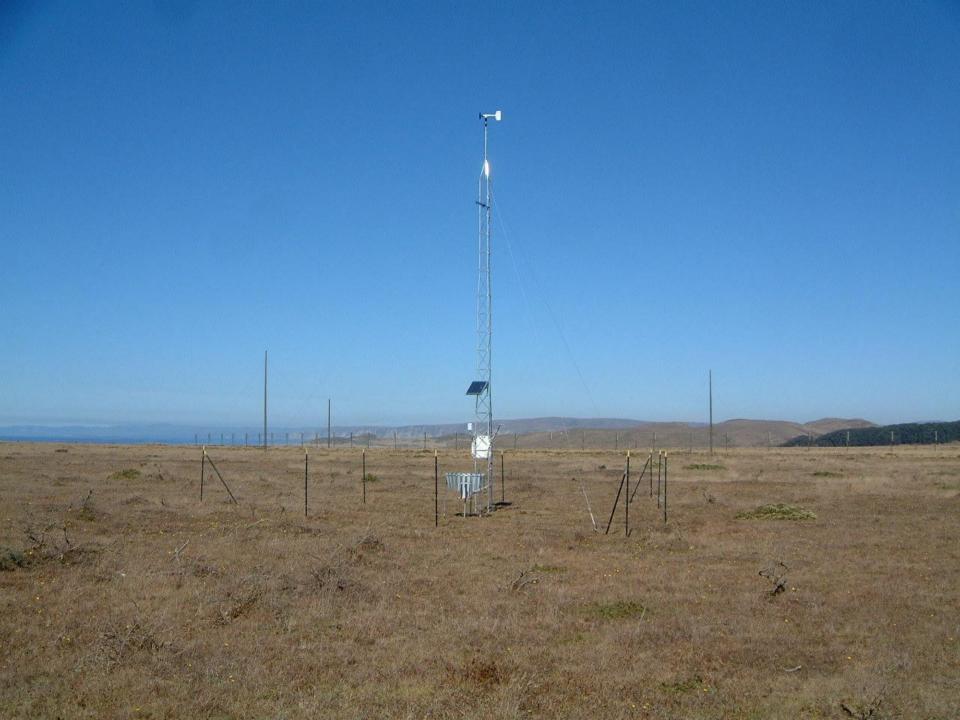
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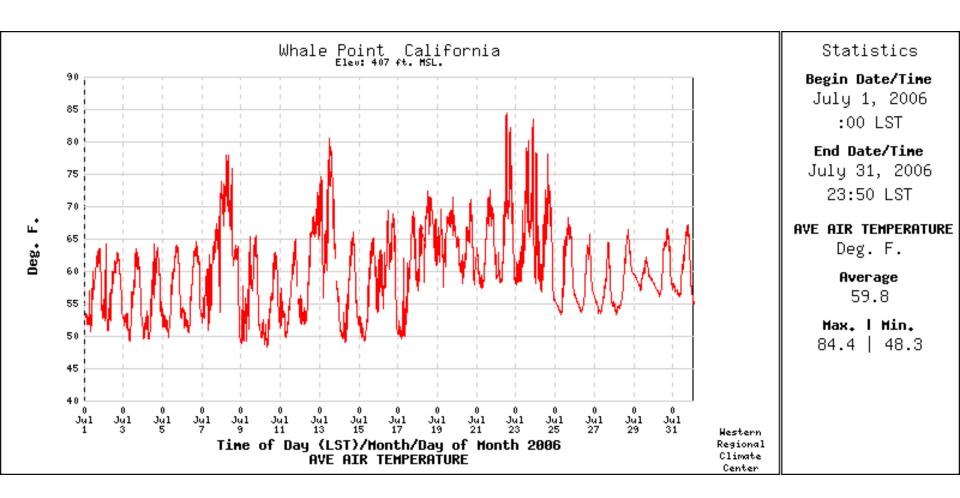
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Big Sur, Big Creek, Whale Point, 400 ft



### Whale Point, Big Sur, 400 ft, 10-min Temperature, July 2006 Heat Wave.



### Highlands Pk, Big Sur, 2470 ft, 10-min Temperature, July 2006 Heat Wave.

